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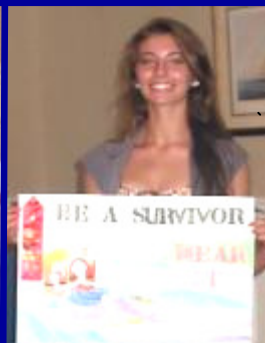
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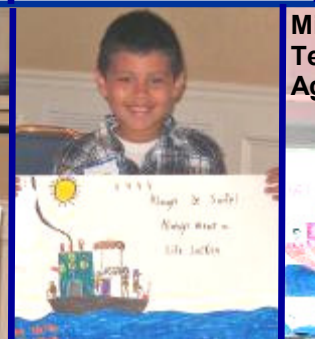
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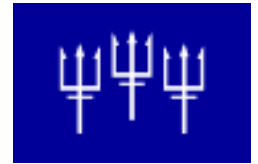




COMMANDER'S MESSAGE FROM THE HELM

Cdr Robert G. Scully, JN

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District 8 - The Spring Conference was held at the Marriott in Boca Raton. The new D8 Bridge was elected during the Saturday Conference. The USPS National Commander's Message included member growth and retention as priority one. Reports of Officers were read and awards were presented to the attendees. The Friday hospitality suite was well attended. Vero Beach, Boca Raton and St. Lucie River Power Squadrons hosted. Summer Rendezvous is July 13-15 at Pier Sixty-Six Resort and Marina. Next conference 9/21.

<http://www.uspsd8.com/index.php>

VBPS goals and objectives for 2012 as noted in the D8 Report included the following:

1. Strategic Plan - Create a plan to ensure continuation of building lease.
2. Membership - Grow membership and implement a Member Retention Program.
3. Education - Promote and implement boater's education through St. Edwards School and clarify the VBPS On-the-Water-Training Program.
4. Civic Service - Understand today's VBPS Civic Service, document hours and dollars spent to support our community and apply for Civic Service Award.

Communication - Minutes of your general meetings held on the 2nd Monday of the month are posted on the bulletin board. In an effort to improve our communication with our members prior meeting minutes are distributed by email.

Waterbury Burgee - A burgee was presented at the last general meeting. The colors are blue, white and gold. The artwork includes a white lighthouse and 5 stars that outline a W. It has been added to our display in the back room. Thank you Quigley's.

Ronald McDonald House (RMH) - Thank you VBPS members from RMH for contributions to the tab project. We encourage you to continue your support and bring your aluminum can tabs from home.

Operations Training - Considering the organizational changes being made in USPS and the dynamics of the times, USPS **Leadership Development** recommends that all Squadron Officers complete the Operations **Training Program**. I think we all will benefit so take a look at www.usps.org/national/ot/documents/OTweek1vfin97.ppt

Education - Spread the word. VBPS is the place to go for your safe boating education. Check us out at www.verobeachps.com or <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Boating-Education-Indian-River-County/185639358113430>

Travel - Enjoy the summer wherever you venture. Send pictures as you travel. Be safe on the water and wear your life jacket. Don't hurry and be happy.

Your Commander, Robert G. Scully, JN



HAPPY BIRTHDAY



June 2012 Birthdays

July 2012 Birthdays

August 2012 Birthdays

Carl Holthaus	06/01	Ed Carr	07/02	Margaret Burnham	08/05
Nola Cloutier	06/02	Christie Brooks	07/03	Jim Crawfis	08/05
Hoy Wilkinson	06/02	Marty Ford	07/05	Dick Weiler	08/05
Lou Farrell	06/04	Carolyn Antenen	07/06	Sally Lake	08/06
Zack Tripaldi	06/05	Stacey Lewis	07/06	William Price	08/06
Fran Zielsdorf	06/05	Donnie Young	07/06	Stan Rockwell	08/08
Carol Pastirchak	06/07	Paul Johnson	07/07	Kathie Thomas	08/09
Jim Breslin	06/08	Al Turner	07/09	Tom Ellis	08/10
Sheree Gough	06/10	Woody Boarman	07/10	Nancy Hamiton	08/13
Jean Hyer	06/10	Dan Thomas	07/10	Ken Brandenburg	08/14
Maureen Mathewson	06/10	Ray Imbro	07/12	Anna Mattern	08/14
Vernon Pastirchak	06/11	Felicia Patton	07/13	Fred Finney	08/15
Bill Lavigne	06/13	Earle Beasley	07/14	Kevin Brogan	08/16
Carolyn Cimino	06/14	Graham Clarke	07/14	Chris Caldwell	08/16
Michelle Dale	06/14	Jules Magyar	07/14	Don Colby	08/16
David Mayer	06/14	Judy Peschio	07/14	Sandy Maloney	08/19
Susan Colby	06/15	Lynette Werner	07/14	Beverly Jones	08/20
Peter Lake	06/15	Jay Antenen	07/14	Austin Walsh	08/20
Dick Carlin	06/16	Hughie Harris	07/15	Kevin Maloney	08/21
Peter Brown	06/17	Barbara Spilman	07/15	Gayle Duggan-Miller	08/21
Casey Ruhr	06/17	Rita Jordan	07/17	Ron Hall	08/22
Terry Lembeck	06/18	John Perrigo	07/18	Bill Lembeck	08/22
Robert Lewis	06/19	Alyse Caldwell	07/18	Sterrett Campbell	08/24
Margaret Van Parys	06/19	Cam Dudley	07/19	Jim Ward	08/25
Marv Marvin	06/20	John Garrett	07/20	Caitlin Gough	08/27
Louis Van Parys	06/21	Peter Longmire	07/23	Pat Crawfis	08/29
Joseph Platania	06/21	Marilyn Maloney	07/23	Shirley Becker	08/30
Judy Hindley	06/23	Carmin Cimino	07/24	Ken Hindley	08/30
Terry Green	06/24	Greg Gerber	07/25	Beverly Ford	08/31
Barbara Carlin	06/26	Jack Knauss	07/25		
Dennis Joslin	06/26	Warren Miller	07/25		
Ronald Sobon	06/26	Robert Schmidt	07/25		
Bill Curtis	06/27	Nigel Hargreaves	07/27		
Charles Decerbo	06/27	Patricia Ashby	07/29		
Serene Goldman	06/27	Jim Fuller	07/29		
Michael Herbig	06/28	Carol Lavigne	07/29		
Bill Yunker	06/30	Patricia Murphy	07/31		

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should be turned in by 15 August.


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Hello VBPS Members, Associates and Friends:

I want to recognize and thank P/C Dan Thomas, SN, our Safety Officer and Chair of Vessel Safety Checks for arranging all the activities for Safe Boating Week which was May 19 – 25. Opening day was quite busy with activities that included an ABC course, assisting the Coast Guard with their open house, and supporting the National Safe Boating organization to promote their "Wear a Life Jacket" initiative. He also obtained a proclamation from the City of Vero Beach proclaiming the week as National Safe Boating Week. Thanks to Dan and all of the volunteers who helped with these activities.

Also, thanks to all of the Squadron's Vessel Safety Check Examiners—Howard Daniels, Woody Boarman, Len Frosina, Nancy Husbands, Matt Mathewson, John Spilman, Jim Ward and Dan Thomas. They have completed 58 vessel safety exams year-to-date. John Reed and Joe Troiano are in the process of getting certified.

The Hibiscus Festival, held on April 14 attracted people interested in joining the Squadron and getting a vessel safety check. Thanks to all of our members who helped staff the booth.

The District 8 Poster Contest Awards Ceremony, held on April 7 was a wonderful way to recognize the youth whose posters about boating safety placed first, second or third in the District contest. Thanks to P/C Woody Boarman, AP for promoting this program and for organizing the luncheon awards ceremony. Thank you to all of the members who worked with the area schools to encourage student participation.

Your Public Relations Officer, Lt Sue Hamel, P attended the District 8 conference meeting on public relations and is working on a public relations plan for our Squadron. If you are interested in helping her with Public Relations, please contact her directly.

P/C Bill Heimbaugh, S reports that the Coop Charting group has done more facility checks this year than last year. He also asks that you be on the look-out for damaged or missing day markers and report this to him so he can pass the information along to the US Coast Guard.

Our Golf Chair, Lt. George Thurman continues to organize golf outings for interested members. I hear they have a great time, and even play a little golf.

P/C Ed Carr, SN continues to promote opportunities for civic service. Most recently he recruited members to assist the Environmental Learning Center with their Lagoon Days. Volunteers operated a dinghy to be available to kids in canoes on the water to ensure they were safe, and were available to assist them if needed. Thanks to Ed and all of our members who supported this project.

Another opportunity to volunteer your time for civic service is the upcoming 5th Annual Treasure Coast Waterway Cleanup scheduled for July 21. For more information or to sign up, go to www.tcwaterwaycleanup.com.

And, finally, to all of you who are spending your summer away from Vero Beach, we wish you safe travels.

Have a great summer!

Executive Officer, Lt. Judy Peschio, P



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Hi Everyone,

So far our Educational year has been very gratifying. As of this message, 73 VBPS members successfully completed courses and appear to be ready to move on to the next level of Safe Boating Education. An example of this is the large number signed up for the next Piloting Course. The one area we have not done well in is our Americas Boating Course where we have graduated approximately 30 people, down about 50% from last year at this time.

On The Water Training (OWT)

At the recent District 8 Spring Conference, there was a lot of emphasis put on this subject. The overall message was: in time, all of the courses we teach will have an OWT component. There will also be an OWT course taught to the public including students completing the Americas Boating Course. The curriculum will include 3 hrs of class room instruction, followed by 4 hrs on the water and a 1 1/2 hr class room review.

The Boat Operators Certification (BOC) course that Dan Thomas teaches all of a sudden takes on a more involved role in our Education program as those members with BOC instructor level credentials will be involved in our OWT efforts. Are we confused yet??

From my perspective as SEO, I can see the Squadron having to acquire a 19' to 21' Center Console boat to enable our OWT program. It may be possible to store and maintain it at the Youth Sailing Foundation's new home at the 17th Street Water Treatment Plant. Am I jumping ahead to quickly??, maybe, but I bet I got you thinking..

USPS Insurance

Along with OWT comes the issue of insurance. Please be aware that we will only come under the USPS umbrella if we conduct a pre-approved exercise that has been a sanctioned and planned activity by the VBPS. This is necessary to preclude insurance fraud.

Lt/Cdr Al Ebstein, SN

NEW MEMBERS & ADDITIONAL YOUTH POSTER CEREMONY PHOTOS



Patricia Ashby

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Charles Decerbo & Doris Cousins

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Hello VBPS Members and Associates:

As winter winds down and some members head north for the summer, that still doesn't sound right to me, I say good bye and look forward to seeing you all back in the fall. You will all be missed until your return. For the rest of us its business as usual. Although our events slow down we will still have lots to do. So check the board for updates.

If you have hosted a Friday Night Social or a dinner event, you know there is always an abundant supply of plates, cups, napkins and snacks. This is because of the dedication of Judy Lott to maintain the inventory of all the supplies needed. Who rarely get recognized for doing this, so please thank her.

Speaking of Friday Night Socials—they continue to be very popular even as we see some of our seasonal members head north. We still have many openings for hosting during the summer so don't be shy.

The dinners are ever popular and drawing record crowds. On May 28 we will enjoy the Past Commanders' Memorial Day Breakfast following a brief Memorial Day service. Watch for more information about the Independence Day Picnic on July 4.

Our boaters have been busy as well—in May several Captains and their crew enjoyed the warm, sunny Florida weather in the Coca Beach for a nice mini cruise. Our Boating Activities Chair, Jim Ward is arranging a lunch cruise to Squid Lips on May 23. We will also be having a raft-up on June 2 with a location to be determined. We hope to have other boating activities thru out the summer.

Membership Chair Kathie Thomas and her team continue to increase our membership. A special thank you to her and her committee for a job well done. And to our new members please raise your hand to get involved; new members keep our squadron alive with new ideas.

Speakers at the monthly General Meetings continue to be popular - thanks to the any member who have help me find speakers on some very interesting topics.

On July 21 Indian River clean-up will happen your participation is encouraged—more than 30,000 tons of trash has been cleaned up from the area waterways during the last three clean-up events. Registration forms can be found on the bulletin board at the Squadron building, or go to info@tcwaterwaycleanup.com.

We have also have had great fun with our many group, which include Paddle, Bowling, Movie, Book Club. All great events followed by a great lunch. Please sign up for your favorite group so group chairperson can e-mail you where and when they will meet.

THANK YOU to all who eagerly say "yes" when asked to help - you make my job easier.


Lt/C Warren Miller AP , AO

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CHAPLAIN'S CORNER Lt. Frank "Tom" Jones, III, S

I speak today not only as your chaplain but also as a veteran and retired Sergeant Major. This is a lesson that we periodically have to remind ourselves. It has to do with our founding fathers and how they used God's word and teachings to establish this great nation of ours. This story involves the flag draped coffin and the symbolism surrounding it as it has been surrendered to so many widows and widowers.

Have you ever noticed the meticulous attention paid to correctly folding the American Flag 13 times. You may have thought it was to symbolize the original 13 colonies, but we learn something new every day! The 1st fold of the flag is a symbol of life. The 2nd is a symbol of the belief in eternal life. The 3rd is made in honor and remembrance of those who have given a portion of their lives for the defense of the country to attain peace through out the world. The 4th represents our weaker nature as American citizens trusting in God, it has been Him who we have turned to in times of peace and war for His guidance. The 5th is a tribute to the country. May she always be right, but regardless; it is still our country right or wrong. The 6th is for where people's hearts lie. It is with our hearts that we pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with Liberty and Justice for all. The 7th is a tribute to its Armed Forces who have been committed to protect our country and flag against all her enemies, whether they be found within or outside the boundaries of the republic. The 8th is a tribute to the one who entered into the Valley of the Shadow of Death so that we might see the light of day. The 9th is a tribute to Womanhood, and Mothers. It is through their faith, love, loyalty and devotion that the character of the men and women who have made this country has been molded. The 10th is a tribute to the Father, for he, too, has given his sons and daughters for the defense of their country since they were first born. The 11th represents the lower portion of the seal of King David and King Solomon and glorifies in the Hebrews eyes, the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. The 12th represents an emblem of eternity and glorifies, in Christians eyes, God the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. The 13th, or when the flag is completely folded, the stars are uppermost reminding them of our nations motto, "In God We Trust."

There are some traditions and ways of doing things that have deep meaning. In the future, you will see flags folded and now you know why. Share this with your children and grand children.

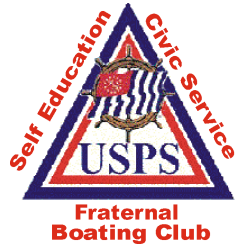
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2012 COMING EVENTS (subject to change)			
DATE	JUNE	TIME	CONTACT
Every Friday	Friday Night Socials	1730-1930	Lt/Cdr Warren Miller
Sunday 3	Bowling Group @ Vero Bowl, 14th Ave.	1845	Lt/Cdr Nora Lichty
Saturday 9	Raft-Up @ Faber Cove	1100	P/C Jim Ward
Fri. 8 - Sun. 10	Mini Cruise to Harbor Ridge Yacht Club	N/A	P/C Jim Ward
Monday 11	Executive Committee & General Membership Meetings	1930	Cdr Bob Scully
Wednesday 20	Lunch Cruise (Location TBD)	1130	P/C Jim Ward
DATE	JULY	TIME	CONTACT
Every Friday	Friday Night Socials	1730-1930	Lt/Cdr Warren Miller
Sunday 1	Bowling Group @ Vero Bowl, 14th Ave.	1845	Lt/Cdr Nora Lichty
Wednesday 4	Annual Independence Day Picnic / Meetings	1600	Lt/Cdr Warren Miller
Wednesday 4	Executive Committee & General Membership Meetings	TBD	Cdr Bob Scully
Fri. 13 - Sun. 15	District 8 Rendezvous @ Pier 66, Ft. Lauderdale	N/A	P/C Jim Ward
Wednesday 18	Book Club Lunch @ the Vero Beach Yacht Club	1230	Lt. Carole Brubaker
DATE	AUGUST	TIME	CONTACT
Every Friday	Friday Night Socials	1730-1930	Lt/Cdr Warren Miller
Sunday 5	Bowling Group @ Vero Bowl, 14th Ave.	1845	Lt/Cdr Nora Lichty
Monday 13	Executive Committee & General Membership Meetings	1900/1930	Cdr Bob Scully
Wednesday 15	Lunch Cruise (Location TBD)	1130	P/C Jim Ward