



D/2 NEWS



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COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

D/C Suzanne P. Nentwich, AP

Don't know where "R" Time or MY Time goes but cannot believe it is already July. I do hope by now each of you (and a few newcomers) have paid your dues and are again members of one of the greatest boating organizations around. I realize it gets harder to find the time to spend on "club activities" but I can honestly say I attend many and have never had anything but great fun, great value and always glad I did. So the first "R" for this year would be RENEW. Like the Springtime is when Mother Nature renews the earth to its beauty and bounty, we need you to renew your membership and give us the chance to once again provide you with a new year of USPS wonders. As the summer continues the "R" word would be to REVISIT. Take the time to attend a neighboring squadron's event and meet some of the people who share your interests. Some of the Squadron Commanders are making the effort to share events, speakers, and other on the water activities---support this effort---it isn't easy to find the magic pill to get the squadrons excited with new and innovative ideas but most times change is good.....



From what I can remember, if you missed my "coronation" you missed a good party. I again thank the members of Cross County Power Squadron for all their help in making a three day event the best yet. It's a huge undertaking to host a conference but this one was one for the books. Thank each of you who did attend and I know you had a good time. The day seemed a long time in coming but now the year is flying by and I'm trying to be in two places at the same time (which even for me doesn't work). I am happy to say that our Northern Trek meeting was also a big success thanks to the hard work and dedication to perfection by our P/D/C Susan L. Darcy, JN. I can't stress enough if you haven't already attended the weekend in Lake George with us you are missing out....Still time to sign up for next year's event, same place---almost same time..

In the meantime I have marched in the Memorial Day parade with Rowayton and gone up to our northernmost squadron Champlain with the Feldbergs and Silvers and attended their picnic/clambake and had a terrific time. Cdr. Shivokevich is correct when he brags about having some of the best members in USPS. We revisited with our friends up North and enjoyed every minute. I have since visited with Jim and Jan Silver (your D2 Sec'y) to watch Berkshire Squadron build and race (in the same afternoon) dragon boats on the lake...Talk about a lot of hard work and dedication by a "core" of members who worked nonstop to teach, entertain, feed and "float" kids on the lake---I'd still be resting from that busy day.

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DISTRICT 2 SUMMER COUNCIL

Saturday, 29 JULY 2006

The District 2 Summer Council meeting will be held at Captain's Cove Seaport, 1 Bostwick Avenue, Bridgeport, CT, in conjunction with the D/2 Rendezvous at Captain's Cove Seaport. It is not necessary to attend the Rendezvous to attend the Council meeting, but those who drive are invited to join fellow USPS members aboard the boats docked at Captain's Cove at the conclusion of the meeting. The Council Meeting will be held on the second floor of the restaurant on the boardwalk. The Snack Bar will be open for light breakfast.

0900 Registration

1000 Council Meeting convenes

1230 Council meeting concludes

Captain's Cove Seaport is located off exit 26 of Interstate 95 in Bridgeport, CT. Follow the signs to the Seaport, the lightship Nantucket will be moored off the boardwalk and may be toured during the afternoon. Please register using the form below:

D2 Summer Council – 29 July 2006 – Captains' Cove – Bridgeport, CT

Name & Rank _____

Squadron _____

To register, please send the completed form by **18 July 2006** to: D/Lt/C James Silver, Sr., P
PO Box 293. Dover Plains, NY 12522 or E-Mail jimsilver@optonlone.net

(Commander's Message continued from P. 1)

My special thanks to Cdr Frank J. DeBaggis, AP, and crew (including yet again P/D/C Darcy) for making us feel welcome and they even made me a Judge for the races. It was great fun, exhausting, but another trip and day I will remember. One of the problems so far is the fact that I am a picture taker and will need an annex on my small house just to keep all the wonderful photos I am getting. Keep them coming if you catch me in a "memorable pose"... Last weekend I again had great fun with Lake Candlewood Squadron. It was a pool party, barbeque, cocktail party and more barbeque. Thank you Cdr. Porrazzo and crew for a fabulous time. Did I remember to say cocktails were on a 62' yacht??? Ask me more and thank you Jim and Jan (and of course, Eddie too) for coming along on these outings... Thank you ADEO Joseph A. Lynch, AP, for not throwing me into the pool..

This is my fault for not getting a message out to you sooner as now I have cut short some of the things I wanted to report but for "space sake" I must end by reminding you all to come to the Summer Council in Bridgeport on 29 July. Do hope you all attend. This will be a business meeting that sets the agenda for the Fall Conference and it is very important for you to come. It promises to be not just a working day but a game filled fun day as well. See for yourself and I promise you'll be glad you came. I'll close here so that our D2 Newsletter Editor Mel Goldstein can do his best to get this out to you as timely as possible. My apologies to him for taking so long, it won't happen again—I'm almost getting the hang of this job. See you all soon. Enjoy the summer season, boat safely and support your Squadron and those around you as well. (Cdr, you are excused. — Editor.)

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THE STATE OF THE EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

I am happy to report the Chairpersons of the Executive Department Committees are all doing an excellent job. Working behind the scene they are keeping things moving within their Committees'. P/C Bill McGirr, Boat Show Officer is preparing for the Norwalk Boat Show which will be held in September. Safety Officer, P/D/C Harrison Valante is always keeping himself up to date with latest safety regulations and notifying the Squadrons of important issues. As always, P/D/C Irwin Staple, our able bodied Attorney, keeps an eye on what is going on in the Legislature and also notifying the Squadrons of any new laws that pertain to boating. P/C Virginia Gedney is continually involved in Public Relations in her Squadron and advises the Squadrons about her successes. P/D/C Susan Darcy, a member of the National Membership Committee and Chairperson of the New Squadron Development Committee is eagerly awaiting the opportunity to be able to help create and mentor a new Squadron. As in the past, P/C Lacey Williams is overseeing the activities of our Vessel Safety Examiners. I am very luck to have such able bodied persons making my job extremely easy.

D/Lt/C Martin E. Feldberg , AP, Executive Officer

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SPRING CONFERENCE WEEKEND-GRAND CENTRAL STATION TOUR.



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OUR TRIP TO LAKE CHAMPLAIN—D/Lt/C Martin E. Feldberg,
AP

On June 17, along with Cdr Suzanne P. Nentwich, AP and Edwin Martinez, P, D/Lt/C James M. Silver, Sr., P and Lt/C Janice M. Silver, P and our able bodied chauffer and my wife P/Lt/C Alexandra, P, we made the short trip from the Hudson Valley to attend the Champlain Sail and Power Squadron's annual chicken barbeque and clam bake which was held on the shores of Lake Champlain at the Treadwell Bay Marina. A big thanks go to Gia Aulicino for the use of her van which enabled us to travel in one vehicle.

The weather forecast was for a hot and humid day with temperatures predicted to be in the 80's. Boy, were we in for a surprise. After a struggle to get Suzanne and Ed out of the house by 8 AM and picking up Jim and Jan at the northern end of Dutchess County, we ran into rain until we reached Plattsburgh. After checking into a motel for the evening stay, we proceeded to the marina. Navigating to Plattsburgh and the marina was easy thanks to Jim and Jan who lived there for a long time and continually visit their relatives there.

We were cordially greeted by Commander Bob Shivokevich, SN, and his wife Sonia. We met many old friends that we had not seen in quite a while and also made some new friends. The weather was not only cold but also extremely windy. Someone in their infinite wisdom installed "Visqueen" around the pavilion. Visqueen, for the curious minded is a thin polyethylene sheeting material usually used in construction.

The cost of the event was minimal. The only requirement of the attendees was to bring a salad or a desert. All the food was excellent but the chicken was without a doubt, the best I have ever eaten. Serge St. Martin, Chief Commander of The Canadian Sail and Power Squadron, and member of the Champlain Sail and Power Squadron and a great friend of District 2, was there and provided the group with some thoughts of wisdom. Of course, after all that food, someone said they had a craving for ice cream. Jim, our able bodied navigator directed us through a number of back roads to what is purported to be the best ice cream stand in the North. Then back to the motel where I was told it was now time for dinner. We went next door to a terrific restaurant and then to the motel lobby where Jim gave Suzanne a two hour lesson in using DB2000 on her newly needed laptop computer.

We left Plattsburgh early the next morning and before we knew it, it was again time to eat. We stopped and had a great Father's Day lunch and we were then again on our way. We dropped off Jim and Jan and then proceeded home with Suzanne and Ed. The event was wonderful and we would like to thank all the members of Champlain Sail and Power Squadron for their hospitality. We are already making plans to attend again next year.

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**PHOTOS FROM D2 SPRING CONFERENCE
WHITE PLAINS, NY
31 MARCH—2 APRIL 2006**



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D/Lt/C Martin E. Feldberg,**

**PHOTOS FROM D2 NORTHERN TREK
LAKE GEORGE, NY
19-21 MAY 2006**



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**MORE PHOTOS FROM D2 NORTHERN TREK
LAKE GEORGE, NY
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Join the Fun at the 2006 D2 Rendezvous



CAPTAIN'S COVE SEAPORT, BLACK ROCK HARBOR, BRIDGEPORT, CT

FRIDAY THE 28TH, SATURDAY THE 29TH, AND SUNDAY THE 30TH OF July
RAIN OR SHINE!

CALL THE CAPTAIN'S COVE DOCKMASTER ON VHF CHANNEL 18 UPON ARRIVAL.

IDENTIFY YOURSELF AS A USPS RENDEZVOUS PARTICIPANT.

If you can't come by boat,
join us in the afternoon on the dock and/or for dinner!
Captain's Cove is just off I-95 exit 26 (follow the signs).

FREE DOCKAGE FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, COMPLEMENTS OF CAPTAIN'S COVE FOR USPS MEMBERS!

Note: All free slips do not have power or water, although there will be some with power available at Captain's Cove. Call Gene Boone to make arrangements. Do not call Captain's Cove.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON EVENTS

Inter-Squadron and District Competition – Sporting Events:

*Kite-Flying, Yo-Yoing, Hula Hooping, Frisbee, Paper Airplane Flying and for the first time ever,
"The Nentwich Contest"!*

*Many Prizes BRING CHAIRS - BIG PARTY Later hosted by D/C Dock parties in the area reserved for Districts 2.
Many other Nautical and Non-nautical events for the afternoon Boardwalk shops in miniature New England,
Colonial and Victorian style buildings, featuring gifts and delectable edibles*

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY EVENING EVENTS (1800)

Friday Evening: Restaurant available for dinner. Cover charge will be waived for D/1 and D/2 members for the evening band entertainment starting at 2100.

Saturday Evening: 1700 cash bar and 1800 Shore Dinner on the restaurant open air upper deck. (Reserved exclusively for Districts 1 and 2. Will be moved inside in case of inclement weather.)

SATURDAY SHORE DINNER MENU:

Clams, mussels, corn, potatoes, salad, rolls, dessert

Choice of lobster (\$33) or one-half broiled chicken (\$27)

Please note that the lobster price is same as last year

Children's Menu available.

RSVP – Reservations and payments for dinners are required by 18 July 2006 Please make all reservations by check payable to USPS D/2 and mailed to :

P/C Eugene R. Boone, Jr., AP 498-B Niantic Lane, Stratford, CT 06614 Phone: 203-380-9964

email: bgstep@sbcglobal.net

DISTRICT 1 AND 2 RENDEZVOUS RESERVATION

Name: _____ Squadron: _____

Slip required? Yes _____ No _____

Boat name: _____ LOA: _____

**NOTE: PLEASE CALL GENE AT 203-380-9964 TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR SHORE POWER
(LIMITED AVAILABILITY)**

NUMBER OF LOBSTER SHORE DINNERS @ \$33. _____ TOTAL: _____

NUMBER OF CHICKEN SHORE DINNERS @ \$27. _____ TOTAL: _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$ _____

D/2 Planning CALENDAR

2006

28-30 July D/2 Summer Council & Rendezvous, Bridgeport, CT

15-20 Aug Governing Board, NYC

23 Sep Rosh Hashanah ¹

2 Oct Yom Kippur ¹

7 Oct Sukkot ¹

9 Oct Columbus day

20-22 Oct D/2 Fall Conference - Mohawk-Hudson, Albany

25-29 Oct CPS Annual Meeting, Vancouver

29 Oct Daylight Saving Time Ends

10 Nov Veteran's Day

14 Nov Election Day

16 Dec Chanukah ¹

¹ Note: Sukkot lasts 8 days.

All Jewish holidays begin the evening before the date given.

D/2 NEWS

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Address Correction Requested



Sail and Power Boating

