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## At the Helm



Let's see - we've got lots of news in this issue AND dates you've got to put on your calendars!

It is definitely going to be a busy summer and I'm so happy that we can get to meet - faces to faces. Not only can we listen to music at the Lake but us (the trailer boaters PLUS) can rendezvous close to home and do the "buddy" type boating that is so safe.

Another great event (and George and Karen Reynolds have Don Tinney's rain rock) is our LOBSTAH & Steak Fest! The reason the Reynolds got Tinney's rain rock was to avoid another hurricane like last year's! **The Lobstah Fest date is August 6th** (*just in case there is **SNOW**, it'll be the next day **BUT** the rain rock said no rain!!!*).

We've also got a lot more lined up including our barbecue at the Lake plus another pizza/salad meeting - it was a big success - only two slices and a little salad left!

We've also planning a seminar and the ABC class for the Fall - both in the planning stages. Got some other ideas for fun events? Let our Administrative Officers Tom and Bev Gilbert or me know. Thanks in advance for your great ideas!

**Stay Safe and Well!**

*Susan Darcy*

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**BSPS & USPS CALENDARS**

**Live on the Lake - July 13, 20, 27, August 3, 10, 17, 24 - Notify Tom/Bev Gilbert - page 3**

**Hudson River Rendezvous - Big & Small Boats only July 31st - see info on page 3**

**Lobstah & Steak Fest - August 6th see page 5**  
**Sept. 11-Sept. 18, 2022 - National Governing Board - Raleigh, NC**

**D2 Summer Council & D2 Fall Conference - mid October 2022**

**Feb 19-Feb 26, 2023 - National Annual Meeting - Orlando, FL**

**Possible Courses being offered soon!**

**Weather Seminar - 2 hours**

**New Boat Handling Course (New & Improved Seamanship) - 6 weeks**

**ABC (Basic Boating) - two Saturday mornings.**

**What courses are *YOU* interested in? Let either Tom Dailey or Susan Darcy know what you would like to take.**

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Read informative articles about boating

See announcements for courses and social events



<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Berkshire-Sail-and-Power-Squadron/528850690570303?ref=hl>

**Berkshire Sail & Power Squadron**

**Forty Eight Years of Service to Boaters**  
**1974 - 2022**

**Please Remember...**

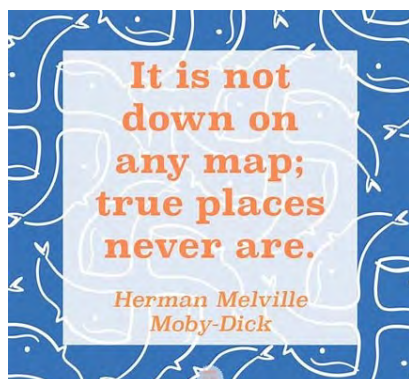
All members are requested to notify our commander or editor of the death of any other member or a member's family as soon as possible. We want to express our condolences in a timely manner and we need the help of all our members to this end.

## HELP! HELP! WE NEED YOU!

### Please, please, Volunteer!

We need to verify and maybe update our Squadron By-Laws to make sure they are in agreement with the model Squadron By-Laws.

It will all be done remotely and at your own pace. We still have two openings for members to help for this pure electronic job? **Contact Susan (Rules Committee), 413-637-2275.**



Herman Melville, from "Moby Dick"

### MAYBE WE CAN OFFER SEAMANSHIP ELECTRONICALLY

The new Boat Handling (replacing Seamanship) has the following sections:

- 0-Getting Started
- 1-Rules of the Road
- 2-Confidence in Docking and Undocking
- 3-Boating with Confidence
- 4-Anchoring with Assurance
- 5-Emergencies on Board
- 6-Knots and Line Handling
- Final Thoughts

**What do you want to learn? Please let us know. Tom or Susan**

## LOBSTAH & STEAK FEST

**Date:** Saturday, 6 August 2022  
**Time:** 2 PM to ????  
**Where:** Reynolds' Farm  
**What to Bring?** See the Flyer for **COST & what to bring!**

**Reservations a *MUST* to The Gilberts email:**  
[bevkat426@gmail.com](mailto:bevkat426@gmail.com).

**Questions to Cdr Susan at: 413-637-2275 or**  
[sldarcy@roadrunner.com](mailto:sldarcy@roadrunner.com)

## "Live on the Lake" dates and artists:

July 13 - Legal Tender  
 July 20 - Whiskey City  
 July 27 - Shyne  
 August 3 - Rev Tor Band  
 August 10 - Hot Shot Hillbillies  
 August 17 - Critical Mass  
 August 24 - Generation X Rock

Reservations a **MUST** - Bring something to share and your own beverages. Contact Tom & Bev Gilbert at: [bevkat426@gmail.com](mailto:bevkat426@gmail.com)

## Want to Cruise on the Hudson?"

Another BSPS event for the **calendar for Sunday, 31 July**. The Gilberts along with Frank and Tena DeBaggis are planning a raft-up in a cove on the Hudson for a pot luck lunch on Sunday July 31<sup>st</sup>. Reservations are **REQUIRED**, since there are "limited seats" available. Between the two boats they're able to carry 6 guests on one boat and 8 guests on the other.

Of course, if **YOU** have a trailer-able craft, you can launch at the ramp next to Coeyman's Marina and cruise buddy boat to the cove. The skippers think between both boats, they're able to accommodate everyone interested.

### Float Plan

Depart Coeyman's Landing Marina (20 Marina Drive, Coeymans NY) at 8am (Mistriss) and 9am MISS B 'haven (tides determine departure time). The cove ("The Hook" as listed in Active Captain in Schodack Creek) is 3.5 nm miles down river, and we will plan to return around 5pm-6pm (also determined by tides).

Bring a swim-suit/towel and a pot luck dish to share. Sorry, there's no access to the cove by car. so this is a pure on-water event.

**Reservations by sundown of July 24th to: Tom at:** [taqtgilbert@gmail.com](mailto:taqtgilbert@gmail.com)





Don't forget to let us know if you need a name tag with our "Moby" on it.  
(*There is absolutely No Charge for Name-tags*).

Send an eMail to Cdr Susan at [sldarcy@roadrunner.com](mailto:sldarcy@roadrunner.com)



Check out the List of Benefits with Your Membership which frequently gets updated.



Our benefit package is growing rapidly. The benefits are structured to the **USPS MEMBER**, and can only be obtained by a person with a current membership card. For more information on each benefit go to the link below and click on the benefit you want to know the details:

<https://www.usps.org/departments/14000/1450001/1450001-benefits-alphabetical>

My son asked me to tell him a boat joke.  
I said, "I can't think of any, but...."

"Canoe?"



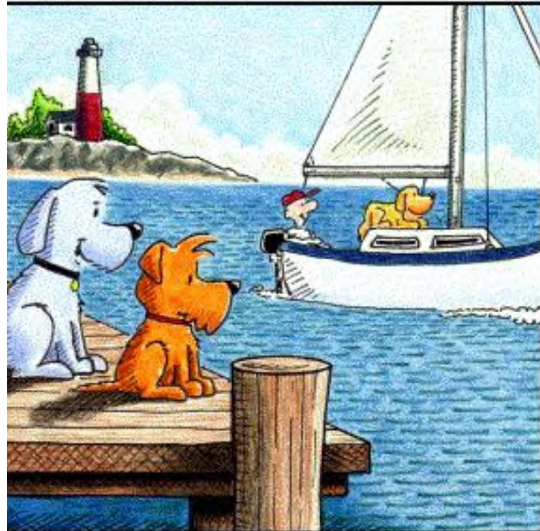
I saw a documentary on how ships are kept together it was .....

*Riveting!*

## Snips and Quips

### SAILTOONS

by Michael Malzone



HE SAYS IT'S LIKE HANGING YOUR HEAD OUT THE CAR WINDOW BUT MUCH BETTER!



And Yes, another bad boat joke:

*You knew it was coming schooner rather than freighter*

# Summer Lobster Picnic

**Come to our BSPS Lobster Picnic on Saturday, August 6<sup>th</sup>**

**Rain date: Sunday, August 7th**

The menu is:

Appetizers

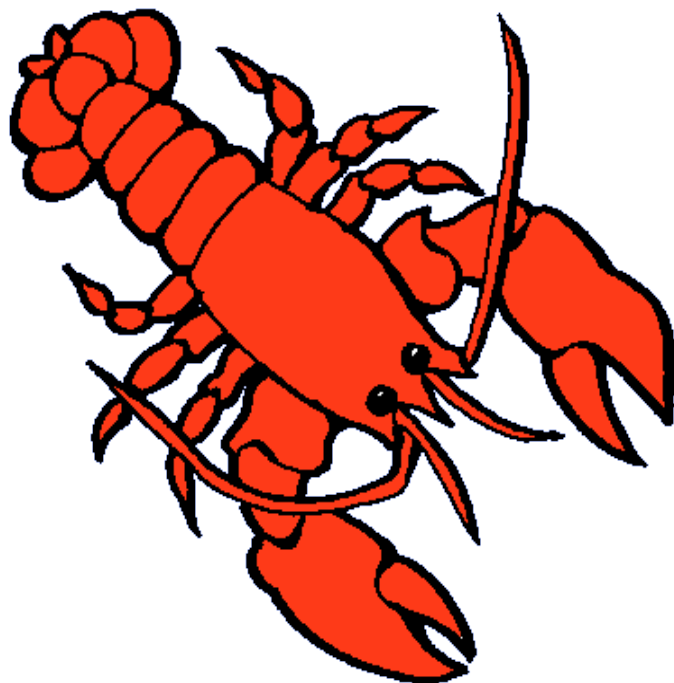
Peter's Clam Chowder

1 ½ Pound Maine Lobster w/Broth

Or a Steak instead of a Lobster

Salads, Veggies, Desserts

Soda, water, iced tea, and coffee



All attending please bring an **Appetizer, Salad, Veggie OR Dessert** to share and your own alcoholic beverages if you would like them.

You also need to bring lawn chairs and crackers and picks (if you have them) to eat your lobster. If you have extra crackers & picks please bring them also.

All BSPS members and one guest are invited. Cost: **FREE**

**Any Extra Guest: \$20**

**Location:** George & Karen Reynold's Home, 45 Fred Mason Road, Cheshire, MA

**Time:** 2:00 pm

**RSVP no later than July 29<sup>th</sup>** to Beverly Gilbert at [bevkat426@gmail.com](mailto:bevkat426@gmail.com) with the names of people attending, whether they will have lobster or steak , and what food item you are bringing. **If you have questions, please contact Susan Darcy at 413.637.2275 or 413.281.4169 (mobile).**

**RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED.**

# REMINDER

## FIRE EXTINGUISHER REGULATIONS

You now have an opportunity to proactively communicate with fellow members and the public about a new U.S. regulation governing fire extinguishers aboard recreational vessels that went into effect on April 20, 2022.

The U.S. Coast Guard has just approved for public release the America's Boating Channel ([americasboatingchannel.com/](http://americasboatingchannel.com/)) video that covers the new rule, "FIRE EXTINGUISHER REGULATIONS," and you can access it now in both downloadable and closed-captioned streaming versions to use as you wish.

Suggested uses include distributing the video to your local member and prospective member contacts by email and/or social media or playing the video for your members and/or public audiences at in-person events.

Here are links for your use

FIRE EXTINGUISHER REGULATIONS – Streaming Version (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Mj0bFyfWV08>)

FIRE EXTINGUISHER REGULATIONS – Download Version ([drive.google.com/file/d/13QM\\_hK2hvWWZgSSSkK3wiX0fSFEf-tsL/view?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/file/d/13QM_hK2hvWWZgSSSkK3wiX0fSFEf-tsL/view?usp=sharing))

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U.S. Department of  
Homeland Security  
**United States  
Coast Guard**



NEW YORK — A Coast Guard crew medevaced a man from the recreational vessel Dove approximately 80 miles south of Montauk Tuesday evening.

Watchstanders from the U.S. Coast Guard Sector Long Island Sound command center received notification that a crewmember was very ill and experiencing diabetic-related health complications.

The command center consulted with a U.S. Coast Guard flight surgeon who recommended medical evacuation.

An MH-60 Jayhawk helicopter crew and an HC-144 Ocean Sentry airplane crew from U.S. Coast Guard Air Station Cape Cod launched and deployed a rescue swimmer to conduct a hoist and medevac of the 54-year-old man.

The patient was transferred safely to awaiting EMS at Coast Guard Air Station Cape Cod in stable condition.

### Video Available: Coast Guard medevacs man 80 miles off Montauk, NY

<https://www.dvidshub.net/video/817668/coast-guard-medevacs-man-80-miles-off-montauk-ny>

