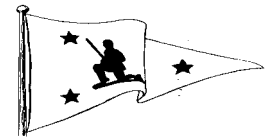




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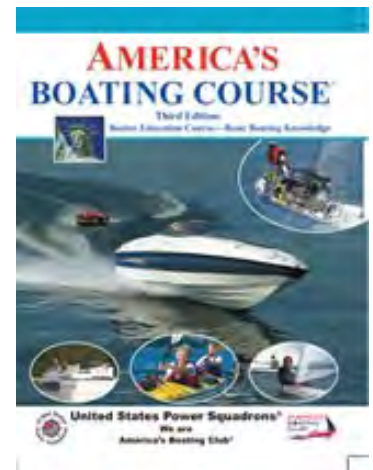
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2019 Courses Spring



<u>Course/Location</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Contact</u>	<u>Phone #</u>
America's Boating Course 1 day course	April 13 April 27 May 18	9 am	Karl Wagner	203-274-5550
On the Water Boat Han- dling 1 day course	June 2,16, 30, July 14	9am- 4pm	Karl Wagner	203-274-5550

Commander's Message



As we have previously reported, SRSPS suffered the death of 3 valued members: P/C Neil Croarkin, SN, Ed Garlick and honorary associate Jean Caldwell wife of Bill Caldwell. Each enriched our Squadron and will be greatly missed. Our Squadron sends its thoughts and prayers to each family.

The upcoming courses are listed on the first page of this *Dredgings*. The ABC Boating Course is required for all boaters to have a Connecticut Safe Boating Certificate.

Soon we will be announcing the details and dates for our biweekly Compo Beach picnics. They will begin in May. Also, the next issue of *Dredgings* will have the date and details of our annual Change of Watch.

Craig Burry, P
Commander



Neil Croarkin



Ed Garlick



Jean Caldwell

If you aren't getting notice of *Dredgings* and other Squadron information by email, it is because we don't have your current email address. Send it to raffel@post.harvard.edu.

Do You Know the Answers?

1. Name 5 things that might help prevent seasickness.
2. What is "sea smoke"??
3. Which channel (s) should be used for distress, a calling channel and safety?
4. When a boat is docked, what do you call the lines that keep it from going back and forth?

ANSWERS:

1. Stay amidships on the deck, avoid alcohol, focus on the horizon, avoid greasy foods and keep active both mentally and physically.
2. In winter on very cold days when the wind blows off the land, a steamy fog often forms over the sea water..
3. Channel 16.
4. The spring lines

Education Report

The first page of this issue provides a complete list of upcoming courses.

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact me.

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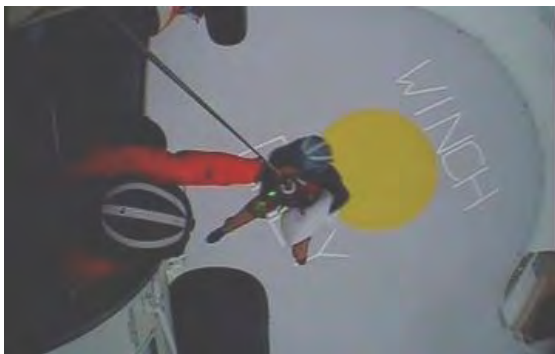
Ideals are like the stars. We never reach them but like the mariners on the sea, we chart our course by them.

——Charles Schurz



A Coast Guard Air Station Cape Cod aircrew medevaced a 78-year-old man from the cruise ship Norwegian Escape after he suffered a possible stroke 40 nautical miles south of Nantucket.

The crew of the Escape notified Coast Guard watchstanders of the man's condition at approximately 5 p.m.



Coast Guard rescue worker being lowered to the cruise ship from a helicopter

Air Station Cape Cod MH-60 Jayhawk helicopter crew arrived on scene and hoisted the man and a nurse from the ship at approximately 7:30 p.m. and transported them to Rhode Island Hospital. He was reported to be stable at the time of the transfer.



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USCG Boating Safety App

Features of the app include: state boating information; a safety equipment checklist; free boating safety check requests; navigation rules; float plans; and calling features to report pollution or suspicious activity. When location services are enabled, users can receive the latest weather reports from the closest National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration weather buoys as well as report the location of a hazard on the water.



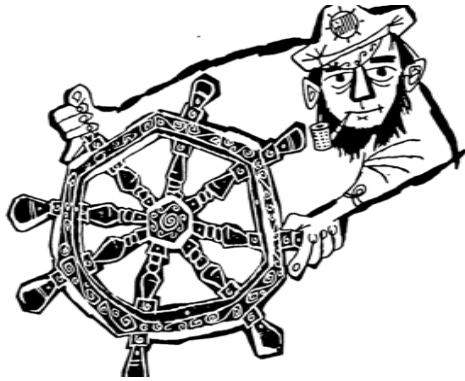
The app also features an Emergency Assistance button which, with location services enabled, will call the closest Coast Guard command center.

The app is self-contained, so personal information is stored on the phone and is not sent to the Coast Guard unless the user chooses to send it. The Coast Guard does not track a user's location, and the app does not track a user's location unless the app is being used.



Hurricane Sandy Victim Ossining NY

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Dates to Remember:

Ex Meeting	May 7
Compo Beach Picnics	Date TBA
Change of Watch	Date TBA

Schedule of Meetings and Events

SRSPS: http://www.usps.org/d2/saugatuck_river/index.html

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Date	Time	Event	Location
May 7	2:00 pm	Executive Meeting	Westport Town Hall
May TBA	5:30 pm	Compo Beach Picnics	Compo Beach
May TBA	TBA	Change of Watch	TBA