

# The Crown



2015 Annual Educational Fund Auction. Thanks to Vingie Genco, the Producer and Director and Helene Stagliano who headed up the auction item procurement with Tony Tucci and Alex Stach, the Auctioneers. Thanks also to Jack Thomas and Stacy Johnson and all those who donated auction items and (of course) the bidders!.

## **Storm King's Annual Auction**

by P/D/C Wayne Garnsey, SN photos by P/D/C Martin Feldberg, AP (Thanks, Martin!)

Wednesday, 13 May 2015, new members, Gene and Marilyn Martin, and Carole, Michael, and Angela Paquette were presented their Membership Certificates as they have now joined the Storm King Power Squadron. During the short "business meeting," Cdr Evans presented P/D/C Wayne Garnsey with a Certificate of Appreciation from the 2014-15 District Commander, Denise Terry, "in reconition of valuable contributions to District 2 as Advisor to the District Commander" which was much appreciated by Wayne. Storm King's Safety Officer, Lt Bill Burbage, was awarded a plaque for his outstanding work doing Vessel Safety Checks this past year. Also, Storm King was given a certificate for making the District 2 Honor Roll for Vessel Safety Checks.

The auction began with Alex Stach and Tony Tucci doing the auctioneering chores with the help of many others. It was great to have Rick and Jackie Emanuel, long time members of Storm King,

## Commander's Message

by Cdr Vince Evans, P Congratulations to everyone who participated in our annual fund raising auction this past Wednesday. The early preparation made the sale process easier. Our auctioneers, Alex Stach and Past Commander Tony Tucci did a great job presenting the auction items at a good pace. A special thanks to Tony Tucci for stepping up to take Tony DiStefano's place as Tony D. had a family emergency and could not make the meeting. Between the Auction and the raffle baskets, the Squadron collected a little over \$1900.00 dollars. Thank you all for your generosity and continuing efforts to make this a successful fundraiser. As always the evening was a lot of fun, and there were laughs galore.

On the business side, it has been another busy month for me. The District 2 Spring conference was held on April 13rd through 15th, at the Stamford Hilton in Connecticut. Stamford Squadron's Commander, D\Lt\C Gino Bottino, AP was installed as this year's D2 Commander.

I met with the manager of Storm King Marine. He is interested in collaborating with SKPS to promote

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## **Upcoming Events**

- \* Wed, 10 June SKPS Picnic
- \* Wed, 01 July X-Com Meeting
- \* Wed, 05 August X-Com Meeting

No regular Member meetings during July and August. First GM meeting of the fall 2015 will be Wednesday, September 9th.

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**Cdr Evans presents Membership Certificates** to newest Members welcomed to Storm King: (above) Angela, Carole, and Michael Paquette and (right) Marilyn Martin and Eugene (not pictured).

Portion of the group attending the auction. **Jack Thomas, Stacy** Johnson, and Vingie Genco (table at right) record and tally the auction bids and bidders. THANK YOU!





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boat training clinics at his facility. We briefly discussed what we could do including presenting our training seminars on various USPS boating subjects. Further planning will need to be developed between both parties. It could potentially be a good way for our Squadron to be introduced to new boaters and provide them with some basic boating education.

I officiated at the Stamford Sail and Power Squadron's Change of Watch on May 11th. As the D2 Executive Officer, I installed Lt/C Alvin Herbert as the new Commander. I had attended an Operations Training class in December, and Al was also in the class.



Cdr Evans presents Lt Bill Burbage, SKPS Safety Officer, with a District 2 VSC Award.



We officially have 7 new members. At our monthly meeting I presented Marilyn and Eugene Martin with the USPS Education Certificate. They have been attending our meetings for some time. The Paquette family, Carole, Michael, and Angela Paquette, has joined Storm King after attending our ABC3 class this spring. They are members of the Newburgh Yacht Club. We bid them a hearty "Welcome Aboard."

I have received confirmation from the Cornwall-on-Hudson RiverFest Committee that Storm King has reserved booth space at the Landing. The RiverFest is June 6th. I have contacted Scot Croft of BoatUS for brochures and items to hand out. I also, contacted USPS national headquarters to get coloring books on boat safety for the children. If any members can spare some time helping Paulette and I, to man the booth during the day it would be helpful. Please contact me, and I will get you a Parking Permit for your car.

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but now retired in Florida assisting with the auction along with the Auction Coordinator (who did a great job), Squadron Secretary Vingie Genco, Jack Thomas, Stacy Johnson, and others. A great job done by all. Thank you! Again, this year, the auction brought in nearly two thousand dollars to help with the Squadron's Educational Scholarship Fund.

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# Picnic - Wednesday, June 10th

by P/D/C Wayne Garnsey, SN

Every year, Storm King celebrates our last regular member meeting of year with a special "Thank Your CYC - Cookout." Again this year, on Wednesday, June 10<sup>th</sup>, Storm King invites the Cornwall Yacht Club families to join the Storm King families for hamburgers and hotdogs, and all the fixings for our annual picnic. The evening begins at 6:00 PM. Come and enjoy the food and friends along with our annual safety demonstrations and other entertainment.

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P/D/C Garnsey receives D/C Terry's Appreciation Award. Tony (above right) and Alex (below right) kept the evening a delight with their humor and fastpaced auctioneering. Thanks Alex and Tony!

#### **SKPS Education This Fall**

by Lt/C Bob Trenz, AP - SEO

The Squadron Educational Department will be announcing educational classes for this fall in the coming weeks. Look for announcements.

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## **Vessel Safety Checks for 2015**

by Bill Burbage - Safety Officer (USPS & USCGA)

Part of this year's push for safety will involve a concerted effort, lead by our Bill Burbage, to conduct courtesy exams, "Vessel Safety Checks," in the Newburgh Bay area. If you want to have your boat checked (free, of course) or become a VSC examiner, contact Bill: 845-707-5441.

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