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ANCHORLINE—York Sail & Power Boating Newsletter of DISTRICT 5

SPRING 2016



CINCO DE MAYO DINNER PARTY



DEB & TOM WISE



760 Ridgelyn Drive, Dallastown
6:00 PM social hour

MARGARITAS ON-THE-HOUSE
BYOB
7:00 PM - CARRY IN DINNER

(Appetizer, casserole or dessert)

If you do not care for Mexican - just bring a casserole of your choice.

PLAN TO COME AND HAVE A GREAT TIME!



Directions to the Wise's: From I-83

Queen Street exit 16A, Head southeast on PA-74 S/S Queen St - 4.4 mi, Turn right onto S Park St - 0.7 mi, Turn right onto Mellinger Dr - 0.1 mi, Turn right onto Ridgelyn Dr - 0.3 mi, House on the right, 760 on Mailbox - Coordinates 39.88755N, 76.64121W - phone (717) 578-0114



OUR NEXT EVENT - FAMILY AND FRIENDS PICNIC & AUCTION
AT WISE WOODS IN CRALEY - CHECK YOUR ATTIC, GARAGE OR
SHED FOR UNWANTED ITEMS YOU NO LONGER USE AND BRING
THEM IN FOR OUR AUCTION. BENEFITS THE SQUADRON.
Watch your e-mail for coming details!



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COMMANDER YORK SAIL & POWER **SQUADRON**

COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Greetings,

Tom and Deb Wise, Ed and Dolly Furst and my wife Kathy and I attended the District 5 Spring Conference in Ocean City on April 1-3. It was an interesting event and we came home with some new information and ideas for the coming year.

YSPS received an Honorable Mention certificate for member retention and a certificate recognizing our 50th anniversary as a squadron (2015). Ed Furst received a certificate for his second year in the Century Club (100 or more Vessel Safety Exams in one year) and Fred Wise Sr. received a nice plaque and pin for being a United States Power Squadron member for 50 years! Congratulations to them. Ed will be further recognized in the near future for his record 221 Vessel Safety Exams last year. Way to go Ed!

I learned that as your squadron commander, it is not my job to direct the group, but rather to facilitate accomplishing what you the members want to do. To that end, I would appreciate knowing what it is that you would like us to be doing. The three legs of our USPS triangle are self education, civic service and fraternal boating activities. Should we be offering more classes or seminars for the members? If so, what would you like to learn about? Our civic service component centers around our public boating safety class, ABC3, and the vessel safety checks that our dedicated examiners conduct. Should we be doing more? Adopt a chart? Highway cleanup? Partner with a Chesapeake Bay improvement organization? Our current fraternal activities include our dinner meetings, special events, Navigation contest and Frostbite Cruise. Any suggestions for additional activities or speakers for our dinner meetings?

Your input would be appreciated. You can contact me by telephone, email or in person any time with your opinions.

Thanks in advance and I hope to see all of you at an upcoming squadron activity.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Miller

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ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

It's almost May 5th, and that means it's time for our celebration of Cinco de Mayo. We hope you will join us at Tom and Deb Wise's home on Thursday, May 5 for an informal meeting. Since we know you are terrific cooks, we are asking that you bring a casserole, salad, or dessert to represent the Mexican theme. Now, if Mexican food is not your favorite, please feel free to bring any favorite dish to share. Margaritas are on the house, but otherwise this is a BYOB event.

We are also suggesting that you contact Deb Wise, when you know what you're bringing, so we don't end up with five guacamole dips! She can be reached at 717-578-0114 or at wisedebra@gmail.com.

Your calling committee member may have already contacted you, but if not, please call me with your reservation: 717-244-7010 – H, 717-880-2141 – C, or ifilius@wiseinc.com by April 28th.

Also on the horizon is our Friends and Family Picnic on Friday night, June 3rd. Please put that on your calendar and ask your friends and family to reserve the date.

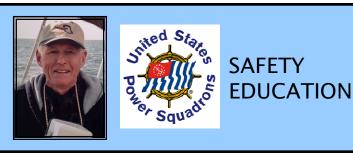
Respectfully submitted,

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BOATING SAFETY

United States Power Squadrons, A Leader in National Safe Boating Week

A startling number of boating accident deaths occur each year, because people are not wearing a life jacket. The leading cause of these deaths was drowning. Rear Admiral James A. Watson, the Director of Prevention Policy of the United States Coast Guard, stated that in over two thirds of fatal boating accidents, people weren't wearing life jackets. National Safe Boating Week (May 22 to 28, 2010) is designed to help us with this tragic situation.

The United States Power Squadrons® and its local squadron members nationwide encourage all recreational boaters to wear a life jacket. It also recommends that the over 70 million recreational boaters in the U.S., without boating training register for a safe boating course to protect them and their families. Greg Scotten, the Chairman of the USPS Marketing/PR Committee reminds us that, "This year, in the weeks leading up to and following National Safe Boating Week, over 450 locations will be offering programs in *America's Boating Course 3rd Edition* as well as critical seminars and demonstration days."

The Power Squadron members remind us: "Boating is fun . . . we'll show you how"®

For YSPS Members, from the Webmaster

We have received two disks from Dave Johnson containing minutes dating back to 2000. These have been extracted and are now on vorkboating.org, in the Members Section. It is interesting to see how we operated 15 years ago.



P/C FRED WISE receiving his 50 year pin and award from Kathy Miller





PENNSYLVANIA FISH AND BOAT COMMIS-SION CELEBRATES 150 YEARS

Reprint from: Ron Leonardi

Erie Times News

Erie, Pa. - Anglers and boaters who enjoy northwestern Pennsylvania's vast network of recreational waterways might want to take note of a significant milestone this week.

The Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission celebrated their 150th anniversary of its founding on march 30, 1866.

The agency's roots originated that year in Harrisburg when a convention was held to investigate water pollution caused by the logging of Pennslvania forests and the effects of sedimentation on mountain lakes and streams.

Another serious agenda item at the first meeting focused on concerns about the reduction of American Shad runs in the Susquehanna River.

The commission operates on an annual \$58 million budget funded by anglers and boaters through license and registration fees and federal excise taxes on fishing and boating equipment said Erie resident Ed Mascharka, president of the Fish and Boat Commission's board of commissioners.

"The Fish and Boat Commission is the foremost water conservation agency in the nation, in addition to protecting aquatic resources," Mascharka said.

Commission surveys show that recreational fishing produces an annual statewide economic impact of \$1.35 billion according to Mascharka.

The commission oversees six statewide districts, including the Northwest District which encompasses the Erie area.

"Lake Erie is the fishing capital of Pennsylvania and we have a tremendous interest in fishing and boating there," Fish and Boat Commission Executive Director John Arway said. "We believe it provided phenomenal recreational fishery opportunities.

Commission programs have benefitted northwestern Pennsylvania anglers and boaters through the agency's Lake Erie stamp/easement program, funding for construction of marinas and boat launches and development of the region's world class steelhead fishery.

Some of the region's best fishing occurs every fall when steelhead anglers from across the nation descend on area waterways and tributaries.

The fish and boat commission also partially funded construction of Erie's Lampe Marina and fully funded construction of the North East Marina and the Walnut Creek Marina fishing access area in Fairview Township.

"Those are three excellent boat ramps and that's the big thing - they are free to launch your boat," Jerry Skrypzak, president of the S.O.N.S. of Lake Erie, a 3,000-member fishing advocacy group said. "In most every state or city around the Great Lakes, you're going to pay \$10 to \$12 just to launch your boat to go fishing."

Mascharka said he sees a healthy future of recreational opportunities for regional anglers and boaters.

"We will continue protecting water and acquatic resources and building a future for fishing and boating throughout the commonwealth for future generations," he said.

PLEASE NOTE: Officers from the PA Fish and Boat Commission are scheduled to return for our November dinner meeting again this year at Jeff's Seafood and Crabs - so plan to attend this worthwhile informative and educational meeting.

A NOTE FROM YOUR COMMANDER:

SOME QUESTIONS AND DECISIONS BY MEMBERS:

There are two things on the Cdr's mind this evening (new record). I'd like your input or opinions if you have them. To be honest, this takes the place of an Executive Committee meeting, so even thought you don't get any goodies

from Dolly, it will save some time.

At the D/5 Spring Conference, we attended several training sessions. One was on First Aid and AED devices. As we are a youthful but aging group, it's possible that any one of us could experience a cardiac incident at some point in the future. Automatic External Defibrillators (AEDs) are proven life-savers in many of these events. The technology has advanced to the point that these devices are very easy to use and reliable. One manufacturer, whose information is available at the following internet link: www.heartsine.com, presented information at the seminar. Prices have also become reasonable. A model from this company is available until the end of April, for less than \$900. I'm sure that there are oth-



ers. My question is: **Do you think that YSPS should purchase an AED and make it available at our squadron functions and for those who might be making cruises?** if we get one, we can work out custody details. Please let me know.



Second question involves an Educational Grant. District 5 administers the Henry Sweet Trust, which disburses funds each year to support Educational initiatives. I plan to make a grant request for YSPS to purchase a new digital data projector. Ours (Fred's) is getting old and does not have the best resolution at times. This projector is used at our ABC3 public boating classes and for speaker presentations at our dinner meetings. It could also be used for seminar presentations. This may not fit the strict definitions of the requirements of the Sweet Trust, but they can only turn us down if it doesn't. If any of you have

other ideas for educational initiatives involving safe boating, I'd like to hear about it. Good recommendations on a data projector would also be appreciated.

That's all for tonight. I'd appreciate hearing from you. Positive or negative opinions are acceptable, no walls here.

Thanks for your time,

Tom





D.5 SPRING CONFERENCE FUN!

Deb and Tom Wise
.....FRIDAY
EVENING AT
THE
HOSPITALITY
SUITES.





D/5 SPRING CONFERENCE - Saturday Night Banquet - with Kathy and Tom Miller, Deb and Tom Wise, and Dolly and Ed Furst





P/C FRED WISE, SR. receiving an award for 50 years with the United States Power Squadrons.



Our newly elected Commander, Tom Miller and his lovely wife, Kathy.



MEMBERS AND FRIENDS at our recent dinner meeting held April 7 - at Red Lobster in York, PA





Chritine Nagle and Sue Witmer













District 5 Spring Conference Award to the York Sail & Power Squadron (being accepted by P/C Ed Furst) from the National Membership Committee for the 2015 Growth Award - "Honorable Mention".



YORK SAIL & POWER SQUADRON VESSEL SAFETY CHECKS at Gander

Mountain, York - in coordination with MD Saltwater Sportfishing Association held on Saturday, April 23, 2016.



VSC Inspectors: (L to R) Dale Fanale, Terry Witmer, and Ed Furst







VSC EXAMINERS WITH MEMBERS OF THE MD SALTWATER SPORTFISHING ASSOCIATION.

AN ACTUAL INSPECTION IN ACTION BY VESSEL SAFETY EXAMINER - DALE FANALE - at Gander Mountain on April 23.





NATIONAL SAFE BOATING WEEK MAY 21 - 27, 2016



YSPS Vessel Safety Examiners:

(L to R) P/C Dale Fanale, P/C Terry Witmer, Chairman and P/C Ed Furst.



DON'T FORGET ... VESSEL SAFETY CHECKS DONE

ALL SUMMER AND FALL. Call any Vessel Examiner, if you want your vessel checked. Ed Furst is down at the Susquehanna River on weekends all summer if you happen to be on the water.

DON'T MISS OUT!

ITEM FOR SALE

NICE DESK - ASKING \$50 Contact Lorreelee Filius at 717-755-8921 or email her at llfilius@comcast.net





5 MAY DINNER MEETING - Tom & Deb Wise household

3 JUNE (Friday) FAMILY & FRIENDS PICNIC - The Wise Woods

JUNE NAVIGATION CONTEST - TBA

10 SEPTEMBER (Saturday) SHRIMP & CRAB FEAST

6 OCTOBER DINNER MEETING - The Furst household

\$20 - All Inclusive - meal choice - TBD

OCTOBER FROSTBITE CRUISE - TBA

3 NOVEMBER DINNER MEETING - Jeff's Seafood & Crabs



Speakers: PA Water Officers

10 DECEMBER (Saturday) HOLIDAY PARTY - TBA

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2017 DATES

5 JAN —ADMINISTRATIVE MEETING 3 FEBRUARY—ELECTION/CHANGE-OF-WATCH





ANCHORLINE SPRING 2016





To All Members of York Sail & Power Squadron