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Commander's Corner Cdr Keith Knoblach, AP

Hello. I hope everyone had a great holiday, is doing well, and staying warm. The event calendar for 2025 has been completed and is at the end of this issue of Delhighlights. Thank you to all who have contributed to another fun-filled year and the Executive Committee for taking the time to plan all of our upcoming events. We had a successful 2024 and are looking forward to this year.

I hope to see everyone at the Founders Day Meeting, which will be on Wednesday, February 5 at Morgan's Local Flavor restaurant, and this year's Change of Watch formal evening on Saturday, March 8 at Adagio Seafood restaurant, and at some of our future events. Stay safe and healthy this winter, have a great time, and be happy in all you do.





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Holiday Party



Nikki and Kathy getting everything ready.



Diane and Fran checking out the menu.



Jeanette, Randy, Ellen and Bob enjoying the appetizers.



Michele, Sergio and Cyrus catching up.



Kathy, Mary Lee and Mark smiling for the camera.



Chris being greeted by Nikki.



Sergio and Michele arriving for the festivities.



Sherika and Dbo being photo bombed by Nikki.



Diane and her son David are all smiles.







Holiday Party



Toys for Tots donations.



Commander is home sick, so Bob is wishing everyone a happy holiday.



Let's Make a Deal Pollyanna is ready to begin.



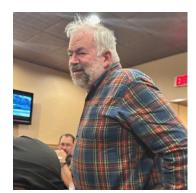
Randy with his lit bottle of cheer.



Cyrus with a beautiful bowl and candy.



Jeanette returning to her seat with her bag.



David scoping out all the previously opened gifts to steal.



Nikki finally getting a chance to open her own gift.



Mark opening the bag that he has chosen.





Phantoms Game



Delhigh Power Squadron



Dawn, Bill, Keith, Karlee, and Jeanette in the background showing team spirit.



Sergio & Michele enjoying the game.



Go Phantoms!



Janette & Randy having a good time.



Nikki and Sherika selfie.



Janette, Randy, Ellen, and Craig rooting for the Phantoms.



The Commander says hello.



The Peeps Zamboni is always a fan favorite.

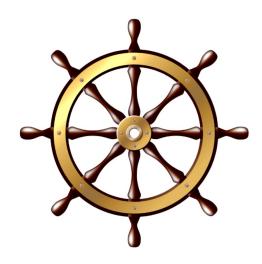


Kathy, Vince, and Cyrus smile as the Phantoms score!





Founder's Day Meeting



Join us

Wednesday, February 5

at

Morgan's Local Flavor

3079 Willow Street, Allentown

6:00 pm



We will order off the menu

Meeting to begin at 6:30 pm

Dinner at 7:30 pm

Please RSVP to Robert Rendish at RobertRendish1@yahoo.com

or 484.619.4013



Saturday, February 15 Meisner Residence 5pm

Soup and sandwiches will be served.

Please bring an appetizer, side dish, or dessert to share.



Please RSVP to Jeanette at jeanette@meisnerservices.com



America's Boating Club Lehigh Valley 2023 Change-of-Watch





Adagio Seafood Restaurant 530 Pembrook Road, Bethlehem 610.625.3777

Saturday, March 8

Cocktail Hour and Cash Bar 6pm

Crab stuffed mushrooms

Dinner and Ceremony 7pm

Choice of:

Chicken Marsala (Chicken breasts topped with a mushroom wine sauce, served with wild rice.)

Faroe Island Grilled Salmon (Generous salmon filet finished with chef's cream sauce, served with wild rice.)

NY Strip Steak (Cooked to your liking and topped with peppercorn sauce, served with baked potato topped with butter.)

All meals served with House salad, bread & butter and chefs choice of one side. Dessert of flourless chocolate cake or cheesecake, coffee or tea included.

\$55 per person

Delhigh Change-of-Watch Reservation Form							
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Send to:

P/C Robert Rendish, P 527 Elm Street Emmaus, PA 18049 **RSVP by February 19th**

RobertRendish1@yahoo.com or 484.619.4013





St. Patrick's Day Celebration



Saturday, March 15 Lamboy Residence 5 pm

Sandwiches and potato salad will be served. Please bring an appetizer, favorite side dish, or dessert to share.



Please RSVP to Michele at mhays41@yahoo.com or 201.519.3897



Summer Rendezvous 2025 June 19-22

Mariner Motel:

Thursday Night: \$67.50
Friday Night: \$225.00
Saturday Night \$225.00
\$574.43

Thursday night is half off (as listed above) when staying all 3 nights. Price with tax and fees for all 3 nights is listed above.

5 double and 3 king rooms are reserved

for us. All rooms will get a credit at Java Rock for breakfast.

Also, book your slip at the same time as reserving your room!

410.639.2224 Rockhalllanding.com

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AMERICA'S BWATING CLUB Lehigh Valley

Taking a boating class reduces your risk of accidents and injuries, saves you money on boat insurance and qualifies you to test for your state boating license.

America's Boating Course is the most comprehensive, single source, in-person boating course available to give you the skills you need to enjoy your time on the water and boat with confidence. Our boater safety class meets the certification requirements for a Pennsylvania boat license.

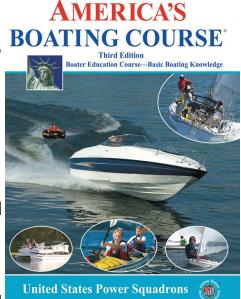
What You'll Learn:

- Information about Pennsylvania State Boating Laws, BOATING COURSE* regulations, boat registration, and licensing
- Required boating safety equipment
- Do's and Don'ts of boating safely
- Practical Knowledge of navigation and rules of the road
- How to handle medical emergencies onboard and mechanical problems on the water
- The basics of towing and trailering
- Special, important information for hunters, anglers, and sports enthusiasts.

For the best, most comprehensive boating education available, take America's Boating Course with our certified expert instructors.

Cost of the Class is \$50 per person with book











VSC Corner

By: Crd Keith Knoblach, AP



With winter upon us and time on our hands, this is a good time to start preparing for next year. Start by checking all your Person Flotation Devices, or PFDs for tears or worn seams. Check that labels are in good condition and can still be read clearly, straps and clasps still securely close and latch together, and that any throw cushions are still in good working condition.

Remove batteries from radios, flashlights and hand-held GPS devices to prevent corrosion. Clean your lines of dirt and mold that can cause a break-down of the fibers. Go through first aid kits to replace old or out-of-date creams and ointments.

Taking time to do these small, but important spot checks give you a head start for a more enjoyable time out on the water during this year's boating season.

Enjoy the winter and be safe.





February

P/C Kathleen Nowroozani, SN Sergio Lamboy, P P/Lt/C Camilla Stemrich, P



Click to go to <u>America's Boating Channel™</u> to see videos about safe boating and boating education!









Executive Officer's Report P/C Robert Rendish, P

As we enter the winter months, I'm already planning for what can be done in preparation for the upcoming boating season.

If you don't have a Safe Boating Certificate, look into your local USPS Squadron, or ask at your local marina or marine store if they have information about an upcoming class in your area.

In the state of Pennsylvania for example, if you were born on or after January 1, 1982, you must have a Safe Boating Certificate.

Another source for the Safe Boating Certificate if there are no USPS squadrons in your vicinity, consider the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary. They offer the class in an open setting like we do.

This squadron, America's Boating Club Lehigh Valley, Delhigh Power Squadron, just completed our first set of Safe Boating classes, and I am extremely proud of our Educational Department for what they prepare, set up, and how we present the material and information in a casual classroom setting.

With the depth of knowledge, vast experience, and basic hands-on boating skills, our educational department, with more than 6 certified Safe Boating Instructors, is informative, well-versed, and strong considering the size of our squadron.

I am also extremely thankful to have Peters Marine Service, Allentown, PA, partnering with our squadron to provide the ample area and space necessary for us to conduct our classes for many years now.

I am proud and fortunate to have been an active instructor for more than 10 years.

So to further enhance your boating education, if you really need to, go online to seek out boating education and handling.

Or you can pick up a book; one I highly recommend called Chapman Piloting & Seamanship.

It might take a while to finish the book.

To the Breezes.

Administrative Officer's Report

Our annual holiday party was fun and the food was delicious. We had a successful Pollyanna gift exchange and collected many Toys for Tots donations!

Our full calendar for the year is available, and listed on the last page of this issue of Delhighlights. We hope that you will find events that you would like to attend and mark them on your calendar. All are always welcome!

Our Founder's Day meeting will be Wednesday, February 5 at Morgan's Local Flavor. We will meet early for drinks and comradery, and then sit to order and have the meeting. This is the meeting where our new bridge is voted in, so please make a point to attend and support your incoming bridge if you can. We will also be discussing some changes to our schedule for the year, so don't miss an opportunity to have your voice heard.

Game Night at the Meisner's is Saturday, February 15 with a pot luck and lots of fun. Feel free to bring some games to play, or just come and join in the games.

Our Change-of-Watch has been moved to Saturday, March 8. We will again be at Adagio's Seafood Restaurant in Bethlehem. This is always a formal, but fun event and I hope that you will all support the bridge and attend their pledging in for another year.



Grogu festively donning Last Call during the holiday season!







Educational Officer's
Report
P/C Kathleen Nowroozani, SN

Our safe boating course is now completed. The urgency of the public to get out on the water that occurred during Covid has died down, which was obvious with our class of only 3 students. All students passed and with New York now requiring licenses for all boaters, maybe we will have enough interest to have a second course in the early spring, but only time will tell.

With winter in full swing there is still plenty of time to take a course online with America's Boating Club. There is a great course to refresh your charting and you can get more information about that here if you are interested.

As always if you are interested in taking a course, there are many online and also many taught by other squadrons. With enough students, we certainly have enough instructors to get one going here as well. If you are interested please let me know and I will do my best to find you a course that is being taught.

It is good to have an end to journey toward; but it is the journey that matters, in the end.—Ernest Hemingway

Happy Valentine's Day

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RESERVATION FORM

America's Boating Club – Mid-Atlantic United States Power Squadrons® D/5 Spring Conference 27 – 30 March 2025 Holiday Inn Oceanfront, Ocean City, Maryland



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Recommended Dress for Banquet: Uniform A with bowtie or appropriate civilian attire. Dress Code for other portions of the Spring Conference will be published separately.

MAKE ROOM RESERVATIONS DIRECTLY WITH HOTEL - Call Reservations Department at 410-524-1600 Use the Reservation Group Code: US Power Squadron Spring Conference 2025

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Holiday Inn Oceanfront Hotel 6600 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD 21842

- Non-Smoking Venue Handicapped Rooms available upon request
- Baggage handling, if applicable, is \$8.00 per person, round trip.
- Check-in 1600 hours, checkout 1100 hours.

Rates: Thursday 27 March: \$74.00. Friday 28 March: \$139.00. Saturday 30 March: \$139.00.

- Reservations will automatically be billed for one night.
- Rates listed do not include taxes.

ALL RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE BY 20 FEBRUARY 2025 TO ENSURE USPS® RATES





USPS NATIONAL NEWS SEA TOW.

Sea Tow is now offering a 60 day free Sea Tow membership for any students who take any USPS course.

USPS members are eligible for a \$10 discount on their Sea Tow membership. Sea Tow offers a free mobile app and expert knowledge and advice from their captains.

Sea Tow and the Sea Tow Foundation Form Partnership With United States Power Squadrons

Boaters to Benefit from Enhanced Safety Resources and Membership Discounts

Sea Tow, the non-profit Sea Tow Foundation and USPS signed a Memorandum of Understanding at the Annual Meeting 2014. **Click Here** for details and discount codes.

All three organizations, Sea Tow, Sea Tow Foundation and the USPS, will work closely together to provide boating safety resources and education to the public, while USPS members and boaters who take a USPS Boating Safety Course will benefit from valuable offers and discounts on Sea Tow memberships, enhancing their peace of mind on the water.

Sea Tow is offering the following:

Students: Any student taking a USPS course can receive a free 60 day Sea Tow Membership. (Cards to hand out at the courses are available from headquarters)

USPS Members: USPS members are eligible to receive \$10 off their Sea Tow membership. Expert Knowledge: The Sea Tow captains are willing and able to speak at a USPS course or meeting. Contact your local captain to set up a date and time.

For more information, visit **seatow.com**.

As provided by our by-laws, the Nominating Committee presents for your consideration our (updated) slate of officers for the elected positions for 2025-2026 as follows:

Commander: Keith Knoblach, AP

Executive Officer: Robert Rendish, P

Educational Officer: Kathleen Nowroozani. SN

Administrative Officer:

Secretary: Jeanette Meisner, AP

Treasurer: L. Chris Brown, SN

Respectfully Re-Submitted: Delhigh Nominating Committee



Have you read the Spring issue of The Ensign? There are many interesting articles and information in this National Newsletter. You can find it here:

The Ensign magazine



Essential First Aid Tips for Boaters



Staying safe on the water requires more than just boating knowledge; it also means being prepared to handle emergencies. America's Boating Club | United States Power Squadrons emphasizes the importance of safety through education, including first aid tips designed specifically for boaters. Whether you're navigating calm waters or rough seas, having the right skills and supplies could make all the difference. In this blog, we'll cover basic first aid tips, discuss the contents of a boat first aid kit, and explain how training and preparation can help you become a more confident boater.

What Are Some Basic First Aid Tips?

Every boater should be equipped with basic first aid tips to address minor injuries or emergencies while on the water. Here are a few to keep in mind:

- Always assess the situation and ensure your safety before helping others.
- Keep wounds clean and covered to avoid infection.
- Learn to treat common boating injuries, such as cuts, burns, and sprains. Taking part in first aid and CPR training offered by organizations like America's Boating Club | United States Power Squadrons can equip you with the confidence and knowledge needed to handle emergencies effectively. These courses also help you respond to more severe incidents, like drowning or cardiac arrest, ensuring you're ready for anything on the water.

What Is in a Marine First Aid Kit?

A well-stocked boat first aid kit is an essential part of your safety equipment. The contents should meet boat first aid kit requirements, including items like:

- Waterproof bandages and dressings.
- Antiseptic wipes and ointments.
- Tweezers, scissors, and adhesive tape.
- Pain relievers and seasickness remedies.
- Emergency blankets and splints.
 Maintaining your kit is just as important as stocking it. Check expiration dates regularly, and replenish supplies after every trip. Having a complete first aid kit ensures you're prepared for any situation while boating.

What to Prepare for Boating?

Preparation is key when it comes to boating safety. Beyond a boat first aid kit, ensure your vessel is equipped with marine safety essentials like life jackets, fire extinguishers, marine VHF radio, and navigation tools. Planning for potential emergencies, such as severe weather or mechanical failure, can make a significant difference. Water first aid knowledge is another critical component of boating preparedness. Learning how to treat hypothermia, dehydration, and other water-related injuries can help you handle emergencies until professional assistance arrives.

Why Boaters Should Consider Joining a Squadron

<u>Joining America's Boating Club | United States Power Squadrons</u> is more than just a membership—it's an opportunity to enhance your skills and safety on the water. <u>Courses</u> on emergency first aid, navigation, and seamanship help you become a more skilled and confident boater. These programs provide practical knowledge and hands-on experience that can prepare you for any situation.

Beyond training, being part of a squadron connects you with a community of experienced boaters who can share valuable insights and support. Together, you can ensure that your time on the water is both safe and enjoyable.

Stay Prepared and Stay Safe

Being prepared with the right knowledge and supplies is vital for safe boating. Equip yourself with first aid tips, keep a well-stocked boat first aid kit, and consider taking first aid and CPR training to handle emergencies effectively. America's Boating Club | United States Power Squadrons offers training and resources that can help you become a better boater while connecting with a supportive community.

If you're ready to improve your skills and safety on the water, <u>contact us</u> today. For more information on boating safety and tips, check out <u>our blog</u>. Together, let's make every boating experience a safe and enjoyable one!





A BIT OF FUN



Did You Know?

There is no official standard for distinguishing a lake from a pond in North America? The consensus is anything more than 20 acres is considered to be a lake, and North America has 123,439 of them! Most people prefer freshwater boating because lakes

are less prone to storms, offer a multitude of different fish to fisherman, maintain a consistent tide, and are valued for their peaceful tranquility. Although it's difficult to rank the best lakes across our great country, there are nine that stand out as "must see" for boaters.

Lake Chelan
Washington
Flathead Lake
Montana

Mullett Lake
Michigan

Lake George
New York

Lake Tahoe
California/Nevada

Fontana Lake
North Carolina

Arizona/Utah

Grand Lake
Oklahoma

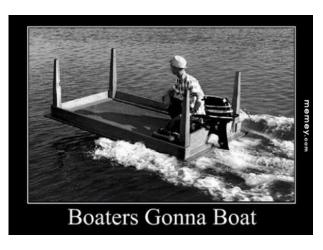
Lake Murray
South Carolina

Find them here: Freshwater America: 9 Must-See

















Boating Links





If you have ever thought about repairing your own canvas, this article is for you https://www.boatingmag.com/photos/diy-canvas-repair-tips/?oly_enc_id=6899D7335267E9P

Do you know what a chine is? And if so, do you know what it does, when and why it became a sharper edge that in previous boats? https://www.boatblurb.com/post/where-is-a-chine-on-a-boat-and-what-does-it-do?





Outboard vs. Sterndrive – Understanding The Right Power Choice for You

https://www.boatblurb.com/post/outboard-vs-sterndriveunderstanding-the-right-power-choice-for-you? utm source=BoatBlurb+Newsletter&utm campaign=d1c2eda

How fast can a yacht get caught in a bad situation and sink? This isn't pretty but it is interesting to watch. Yacht Stuck On Rocks and Sinks!! Caught on Camera! | Boating News of the Week | Broncos Guru





Does boating in winter go wrong? It does for these people, have a look... 12 Moments When Boating In Winter Go Wrong! | Boneheaded Boaters of the Week

Have you ever wondered about the history of the Intracoastal Waterways? If you have here is part 1 of the history of the ICW. https://www.boatblurb.com/post/waterways-we-love-the-history-of-the-u-s-intracoastal-waterway-part-







Delhigh 2025-2026 Calendar

Founders Day

Wednesday, February 5 Morgan's Local Flavor 6pm

Game Night

Wednesday, February 15 Meisner Residence 5pm

COW

Saturday, March 8 Adagio Restaurant 6pm

St Patrick's Day Party

Saturday, March 15 Lamboy Residence 5pm

April Meeting and Potluck

Wednesday, April 2 Nowroozani Residence 6:30pm

> Wine Tasting Saturday, April 12 TBA

Sock Burning

Saturday, May 3 Dlugos Fire Pit

May Meeting Wednesday, May 7

TBA

Beltzville Lake Cleanup

Saturday, May 17 Beltzville Lake 9am Joey B's 1pm

Ice Cream Social

Saturday, June 4 Montuori Residence TRA

Summer Rendezvous

Thurs June 19-Sun June 22 Rock Hall, MD

July Meeting

Wednesday, July 16 Nowroozani Pool 6:30pm

Musikfest Mania

August 5 or 6 Hotel Bethlehem 6pm

August Meeting

Wednesday, August 20 Coca-Cola Park 7:05pm

Bonfire

Saturday, August 23 Dlugos Fire Pit TBA

Sept Meet/Chili Cook off

Wednesday, September 3 Nowroozani Residence 6:30pm

Trailerboat Rendezvous

Saturday, September 13 Ridley Park Marina TBA

Cookout

Saturday, September 27 Lebeduik Residence TBA

Sporting Clays Oktoberfest Saturday, October 18 TBA

Boos and Brews

Saturday, October 25 Lamboy Residence TBA

November Meeting

Wednesday, November 5 TBA

Wine or Beer Tasting

Saturday, November 22 TBA

Holiday Party

Satruday, December 13 TBA

January Meeting and Potluck

Wednesday, January 7, 2026 Nowroozani Residence 6:30pm

Phantoms Game TBA

Founder's Day Meeting Wednesday, February 4 TBA

Game Night

Saturday, February 21 Meisner Residence TBA

COW

Saturday, March7 TBA





All Calendar events are subject to change as the bridge sees fit.

Please contact Kathy at

k.now@mac.com or

(956) 240-5553 for more information on any scheduled event.

