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## Commander's Remarks

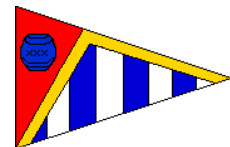
It's that time of the year again. Right! USPS Dues time! Let's all get our dues paid on time. It will certainly help our Treasurer if all the dues are paid on time. Otherwise someone has to call the non-renewals personally, and we all know what a job that can be. It's

like trying to tell your best friend that he/she owes you a couple of dollars and hasn't paid you yet! "Touchy"

Don't forget the June meeting will be a picnic meeting at South Park's Willow Tree Grove on 11 June. Also, plans are being formulated for the Sail Day at Moraine State Park on 28 June.

Once again the Erie Rendezvous is under consideration, and may or may not happen. More to come on that!

Cdr Tom Merritt, JN



## Coming Events

- **VSC Week 7—15 June**
- **Picnic Meeting in South Park 11 June at 1700 at Willow Tree Grove**
- **Sail Day 28 June Lake Arthur**
- **Blessing of the Fleet 29 June Pittsburgh**

## Education News - by Lt/C Jim Stark, AP

We in the education department are doing our best to schedule the courses that you want. We are planning to offer Advanced Piloting (AP) in September. We have had interest in offering Cruise Planning in the fall also. We hope to schedule another Junior Navigation (JN) class to begin in the Spring of 2004. If you are interested in these or in any other classes, please let me or any bridge officer know.

As always, we appreciate the support of all the squadron members who have served as instructors and proctors for the boating course.

Congratulations to **Neil Cook** who successfully completed the Instructor Certification Program at the Spring Governing Board in New Orleans on 9 May 2003. His name has been submitted to USPS headquarters for issuance of his Instructor Certification Card.

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## ***So Long for Now . . .***



Cdr Tom Merritt leads the squadron in saying a fond farewell to P/C Robert McKeever, JN and his wife 1st Lt Patricia McKeever, S. The McKeever's are moving to the Sunshine State, Florida. The members of South Hills Power Squadron will really miss you! Thanks for all your contributions to SHPS and the cause of safe boating.

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**REMEMBER, IT'S  
DUES RENEWAL  
TIME.**



## **Sail Day 28 June 2003**

**Lake Arthur 1000 - 1900**

**Contact Chris Orie 724-935-5087, Mozart4192@aol.com**

## ***New Member***

**A**t our May meeting P/Stf/C Bob Colteryahn, AP swore in Lou Doughton as a new member of South Hills Power Squadron. Lou is in the process of getting a new boat! He is joined in this photo by Cdr Tom Merritt, JN, Lou's wife, Vi, and P/Stf/C Bob Colteryahn, AP. Vi is active with the Little Lake Theater in McMurray. Welcome aboard Lou and Vi. It is great to have you with us!



**One If By Land**



## **D/7 Cruise**

**25, 26, 27 July  
Battery Park Marina  
Sandusky, OH**

**Two If By Sea**



**You may come by land  
You may come by sea  
But please be on hand  
For the big summer spree!!**

### **FRIDAY**

Come early and join us for a fun evening – enjoy hamburgers and hot dogs, and meet your other half (????), and work together (not a difficult task) to win some prizes. We'll also have time to socialize and visit some boats.

### **SATURDAY**

There will be coffee available near the boats for those who like to sip some java and chat in the mornings.

At 1100 we will gather at the pavilion and have an old fashioned lunch box auction. Start designing your lunch box and planning your menu. You can either bring the food with you or purchase it near the marina. One lunch box per couple or if you are by yourself – for one person.. There will be prizes for the most original lunch box and one for the highest single bid.

**NEEDED:** Sail Boats! At 1400 D/7 will sponsor their first half-fast sail race. You may say that you are not a sailor – great – this race is for you. Rules: only the captain and the first mate can be real sailors – the rest of the crew must be power boaters. Bring your best “sailing” hat and be prepared to have a super good time – guaranteed. There may even be a chance to make a few bets on the side as to who the winner may be. And, of course, there will be a prize for the winner.

Join us in the pavilion at 1800 for the D/C's cocktail party. This will be followed by a super bar-b-q dinner (Paul Revere's favorite), awarding of the prizes for the weekend's “best”, and then some toe-tapping entertainment on the patio.

### **SUNDAY**

Before leaving for home (by land or by sea) – we will make sure that you have a good breakfast.

**KIDS WELCOME** – There will be activities and prizes for the kids – just let us know how many and how old.

Rain or Shine- we will have a great time – but you won't know unless you join us.  
Price for the weekend will be \$35/person, \$25/child under age 8.

There is limited docking (\$1.50/ft) – so please make your reservations early.

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**11 June 2003**  
**Picnic Meeting**  
South Park  
Willow Tree Grove



**1700 'til Dusk**

Bring a Folding Chair

The squadron will provide:  
Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Hot Sausage,  
Condiments, Soft Drinks, and Paper Products.

Please bring an Appetizer, Side Dish, or Dessert  
based on the first letter of your last name.

**A - L    Dessert**  
**M - O    Appetizer**  
**P - Z    Side Dish**

We are going to have some navigation practice  
so bring a sextant if you have one.

