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THE APRIL MEETING

Message From Commander Jim Silver:

I would like to thank the members of Mid-Hudson Power Squadron for allowing me to serve as your Commander. I consider it a great honor and a privilege. THANK YOU for the vote of confidence. I would also like to congratulate the members of the bridge (especially newbie Lt/C James R. Smith, AO), F/Lt Pat Smalley, Chaplin Stu Steagall, and newly appointed or elected committee members. On behalf of the Squadron, I extend our deepest gratitude to retiring Chaplin Marshall Bishop for his many years of service in many positions in MHPS. Thank you, Marshall.

The coming year promises to be very active and will require your support. Along with our normal commitments, we must plan and prepare to host the District Spring Conference on March 25 & 26, 2005. PLEASE insure you reserve that weekend to support MHPS as Fred Mangelsdorf becomes District 2 Commander. Committee Chairman P/C John Kwak has already begun planning this event and will be asking for assistance from all members to accomplish the task. I look forward to working with all of you, not only on this very important event but all activities during the next year.

Assistant Secretary Ed Weber has sent out a request to each member to verify and correct the DB2000 Database. Please take the time to respond as the DB2000 database is used to create reports, and complete forms submitted to District and National, and provides the data used to correspond with you.

Jan and I look forward to seeing you at The Holiday Inn in Kingston on April 21, 2004 for the Regular Member Meeting.

MHPS Members and Guests:

Please accept this invitation to attend the April Monthly Meeting of the Mid-Hudson Power Squadron.

Date: Wed 21 April 2004 1830-2100

Time: Cash Bar opens at 1830

Place: Kingston Holiday Inn
Washington Ave, just off Thruway
Kingston, New York 12590

Menu:

Soup
Tossed Salad
Potato/ Vegetable
Dessert and Coffee Service
Choice of Entree
Sliced steak, Stuffed Breast of Chicken w/herb, or
Broiled Sole w/crabmeat stuffing
Cost: \$ 23.00

Program: Cruising the Hudson—The Video Guide See page 3 for details.

Please RSVP with your choice of entree to:
JSRSATV@AOL.COM (Email preferred) or call
845-255-0160 (leave a message).
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WEB SITE

The Mid Hudson Power Squadron web site is at
www.midhudsonpowersquadron.com

Where you can get all the information about the
Squadron.

Web Master, Dave Rosenthal SN

MHPS Education Program

Our Boating Class at Haviland School in Hyde Park is coming to a close. The last session will be the exam on April 15. Extra hands are always needed that evening to help grading the exams. Fred needs a lot of help that evening so lets have a good turnout. The fast track course scheduled to start at Certified Marine in Connelly on April 19.

Shortly after the Connelly class we will be starting **SEAMANSHIP** conducted by the team of Ernie Klopping and Pat Smalley. At the Poughkeepsie Yacht Club, in Staatsburg, starting May 13 Thru July 8, Thursday Nights 7:00 to 9:00 PM. Call Ernie at 266-8040 to register for this class.

ENGINE MAINTENANCE started on March 15 with three students at Bruce LoPresti's shop in Saugerties. Call Bruce at 245-9056 if you would like to join the class.

SAIL course is being planned for early May, location TBA. Get in touch with either John Boyle at 635-9463 or Pete Cavalla at 462-4878 to sign up for this class.

The ANNUAL EDUCATION MEETING to honor our Students and Instructors will be held at Stonehedge Restaurant in West Park on May 12. MHPS is one of only a very few Squadrons that dedicate a meeting to it's students and instructors. Look for the announcement for this meeting for further details.

If you have an interest in taking any course or wish to purchase any of the LEARNING GUIDES please contact me at 691-7606 or n2exv@hvi.net.

MARINE ELECTRONICS course is being planned by George Danko to start in September

SEO Dick Winchell SN

Your Challenge for this month:

See Nauti-Benders elsewhere.

Answer, FENDERS as in to fend off.

The April Meeting Program will be highlighted by a showing of the

“Cruising the Hudson—The Video Guide”

The Hudson River Cruising Guide, produced by our own Jim Smith, who will present video clips and discuss the process of producing this guide, which is distributed nationally by Bennett Marine Video.

The show features on-water shots of the Hudson from NY Harbor to Troy, plus a special historical clip about Constitution Island by a historian from USMA at West Point. All members are welcome to contribute favorite anchorage suggestions during the showing.



Figure 1, The HUDSON RIVER VIDEO GUIDE

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE CHANGE OF WATCH



Figure 2, Ed saying his farewell, parting is such sweet sorrow.



Figure 3, Jim being sworn in as Commander.



Figure 4, Your New Bridge Officers.



Figure 5, District Commander Susan Darcy observing the Change of Watch.



Figure 6, The Passing Of The MHPS CHARTER.

SAFETY CORNER:

By Jim Smith, S

ICW FUNDS SHOALING

It's time to write your Congressional representatives and help save one of recreational boating's great resources.

The President's proposed budget for the coming fiscal year does not include any money for maintaining and dredging 739 miles of the Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway between Norfolk and Jacksonville, Florida.

In the past five years, the budget proposed by the White House was less than the funds the Corps of Engineers required. Each year, however, Congress has voted to provide the necessary funding. In some areas of the ICW, local boaters report controlling depths are as low as four feet.

This is the first year, however, that the White House proposed nothing toward maintaining the waterway in NC, SC, GA, Northern Florida and Southern Virginia. Both the House and Senate are expected to consider the budget this summer with key Committees likely meeting this spring. For some local knowledge go to <http://towndock.net/icwfunding.html>.

NAUTI-BENDERS

From the 2004 Calendar



Fenders or Bumpers?

Ship to Shore Recipes

By Ed Metivier

Quick Breakfast:

Try these breakfast in Glass shakes:

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- 1 cup of milk
- 1/2 cup of vanilla ice cream
- 1 ripe banana cut up into chunks
- 1 Peach sliced
- 1 tsp vanilla extract

Place all ingredients in blender container. Process until smooth, makes about 2 cups.

2. Berry banana breakfast smoothie

- 1 carton (8 ounces) of berry flavored yogurt
- 1 ripe banana cut into chunks
- 1/2 cup of milk

Process in blender until smooth. It makes about 2 cups.

3. Mocha Cooler

- 1 cup of milk
- 1 tablespoon instant coffee granules
- 1 tbs of chocolate syrup
- 1/4 cup of vanilla or coffee ice cream

Blend together. Makes about 1 1/2 cups

Good Luck,
TinCanSailor

Fenders or bumpers continued.

A "bumper" is a cushioning device used to protect your boat and a "fender" protects your car ...or, is it... a "bumper" protects your car and a "fender" is a cushioning device to protect your boat? The answer is elsewhere in the Foghorn.