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# Happy Holidays!

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# Notice to Mariners

## Greensboro Power Squadron's Christmas Party



Monday, December 9, 2013 at 6:00 pm.  
Centenary United Methodist Church

**Reservations by Dec. 2**

Details on Page 8



Welcome: Lucas Todd Sharpe, new grandson of Tom and Jo-Anne Statham, born 11/17/13

### December Birthdays

02	William O. Young
04	Frances A. Ward
05	Betty S. Burney
30	Patricia K. Byrne

Squadron Patrons are members who donate at least \$25.00 for the Executive Committee to have as reserve funds for unexpected expenses during the year. These monies help cover unbudgeted items. If you would like to be a Squadron Patron, please submit your check payable to the Greensboro Power Squadron and marked as "Squadron Patron" to Todd Ring, Treasurer, by the Change of Watch in January 2014. Your sponsorship lasts for the next squadron year and will be acknowledged monthly in the Breeze as noted below:

### Squadron Patrons

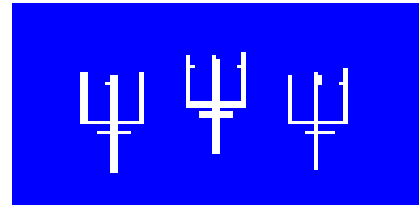
- Larry and Pat Freeze "Pelecanus"
- Alec and Kathy Wrenn "Carolina Wrenn"
- Mike and Carolyn Hackett "Hattitude"
- Mack and Vinnie Gordy "Optional Necessity"
- John and Sally Oberholtzer "Sally O"
- Ron and Anna Pittman "Anna Bee"
- Steve and Chris Puckett "Simply Mahvelous"
- David and Sue Schultz "Iron Jenny"

If you would like to make a donation, please make the check payable to The Greensboro Power Squadron and send the check to **Lt/C Todd Ring, 6605 Stonecroft Dr., Oak Ridge, NC 27310.**



## Commander's Log

Cdr David Schultz, SN



Here I am writing for the December Breeze; it is near the end of November already only four days until Thanksgiving. I would like to say how much fun I had when several of us went out to a movie and dinner. At dinner that night, several of us discussed that the event was really fun to share and that maybe in the future, someone might offer to call us all together for another dinner and movie night. If you discover a movie that you think others would enjoy, please call around and let's make this happen again.

There is much to do before the end of my term as Commander. One thing for which I am responsible is finding help with the Change of Watch. So I may be calling soon, but if I don't call and you would like to help, please let me know as soon as possible. Also there is the Change of Watch itself. Please plan to be there. It would not only mean a lot to me, but it is a time-honored tradition and needs the support of in the squadron. It is a part of the USPS, and has been for 100 years. This is an old, proud and I believe, worthwhile organization, but it cannot go on alone. USPS like any group is nothing on its own. It is made up of people, and if those people stop participating, it ceases to exist. So please return your "Change of Watch" invitation, RSVP accepted.

Also coming up in January is the D/27 one day "Winter Training Meetings" in Raleigh. There will be many from the bridge (if not all) attending. It is open to anyone who would like to come along. There are sessions to help anyone who may wish to be an officer in the future; also there are training sessions on "DB2000 and HQ800" two of the data bases used by USPS to keep records of all kinds. It starts at 0900 and is over by 1430. If you want to attend, you need to fill out a registration form, and if you let Lt/C Alec Wrenn, SN or me know, we can try to carpool.

I know this won't be sent out until after Thanksgiving, but I still wish you all the very best, and a Very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

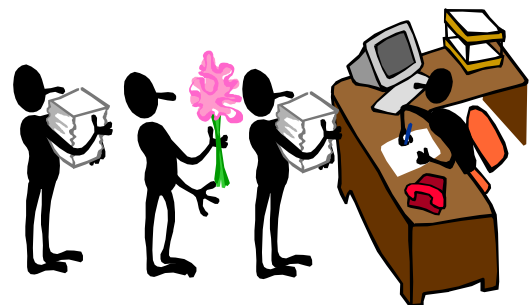
### Important Notice to All Committee Chairman

Merit Mark recommendations are due within two weeks after each event.

Send to P/D/C Mack Gordy, AP at

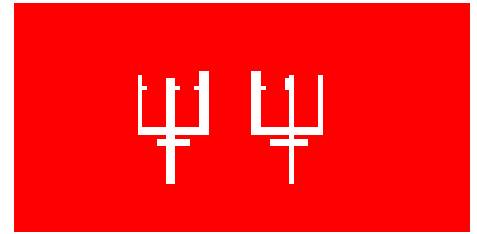
[mgordyjr@triad.rr.com](mailto:mgordyjr@triad.rr.com).

Call Mack if you have questions.





Executive Officer  
Lt/C Alec Wrenn, SN



The Executive Department is winding down as is the calendar year. With only December of this year and January of 2014 remaining, there is little to report to the membership. However, if we look to the new squadron year, we hope to have many educational opportunities, on the water activities, and gatherings centered around great friendships and of course excellent squadron meals. So enjoy this wonderful season and our wishes to you and your families for good health and for safe travels.



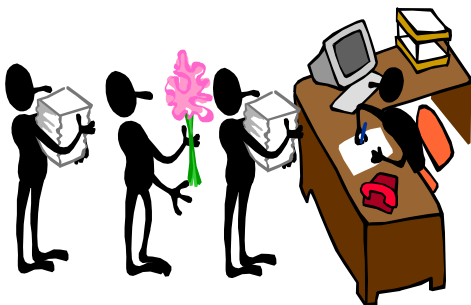
Save the date!!

Sep. 20, 2014

GPS 40th Anniversary

A decorative graphic with a light blue background and a black border featuring a white Celtic knot pattern. On the left is an illustration of a spiral-bound calendar. On the right, the text "Save the date!!" is at the top, followed by "Sep. 20, 2014" and "GPS 40th Anniversary" at the bottom.

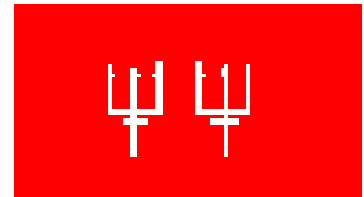
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Administrative Officer  
Lt/C Grant Dawson, AP



As the year winds down with the Holiday Season - The Annual Squadron Christmas party is on the 9th of December – a special thanks to all who participated and helped with all of the activities within the Administrative Department – 2014 is right around the corner – Warm weather – more new boating activities - Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays to all



## Ordering Squadron Clothing

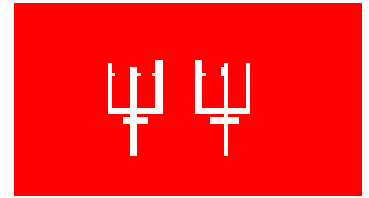
John Oberholtzer

1. On your computer, go to [www.landsend/business.com](http://www.landsend/business.com)
  2. Create an account.  
(This is important as you will want to get Lands End e-mails since the sales are very worthwhile and can result in major savings.)
  3. Go through the catalog and select your merchandise.
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During check out you will be prompted to enter the logo number  
Clothing logo is #0826057 Cap (Hat) logo is #0877141
- Note: the clothing and cap logos are the same, but the cap is smaller so that it will fit.  
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**Education Officer's**  
**Lt/C Karen Nussman, JN**



**NOTICE:**

***Effective April 13, 2014, the federal government will no longer print lithographic nautical charts.***

NOAA's lithographic charts have been printed by the Federal Aviation Administration, and the FAA decided to stop printing nautical charts "as a direct result of the federal government's constrained fiscal environment and the FAA's need to reduce all avoidable or unnecessary costs.

Since President Thomas Jefferson asked for a survey of the coast in 1807, Coast Survey has been the nation's trusted source for nautical charts covering the coastal waters of the U.S. and its territories. NOAA's Office of Coast Survey and its predecessor agencies have been printing lithograph charts since the Civil War. Coast Survey's charts from the 1800s, when James Whistler (known for the iconic painting "Whistler's Mother") and John Muir (founder of the Sierra Club) worked for NOAA drawing charts. The NOAA lithograph chart is the traditional paper chart. The charts are printed in large print runs at the time of a new edition and are kept in stock until purchased. After a mariner buys a lithograph chart, they must make corrections by hand; this can entail hundreds of corrections through many years (until the next edition).

NOAA will continue to be the nautical chart maker for U.S. coastal waters. Over the last decade NOAA has been building the systems, products, partnerships, and distribution system to support the evolution from stock paper charts to digital files. They will continue to improve NOAA electronic navigational charts (for display on computers, mobile apps, and electronic chart display systems) and NOAA raster navigational charts (used in a variety of electronic charting systems).

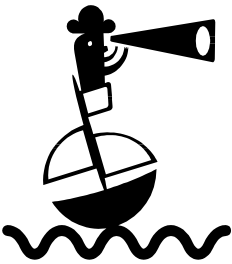
Certified NOAA Print-on-Demand nautical charts printed by NOAA's POD partners are considered to be "published" by the National Ocean Service. These charts are tolerant of water and UV damage, and stand up to repeated folding, writing, and erasing -- similar to the traditional chart. Print-on-Demand nautical chart distributors have access to each one of NOAA's thousand nautical charts, and they are required to make them all available for purchase. It is easy to order a POD chart online or by telephone, and have the chart delivered to your door. They are even available on Amazon. You can still look at the NOAA's chart viewer to decide what chart you want, and then check their listings for chart vendors.

Electronic and raster navigational charts are free, and are available for download at [www.nauticalcharts.noaa.gov](http://www.nauticalcharts.noaa.gov). During a trial period from Oct 22, 2013 to Jan 22, 2014, NOAA will be making about a thousand nautical charts available in printable PDF format for free download. After the trial period, they plan to issue a Federal Register Notice asking for comments on continuing free public access to PDFs.

The hope is that private industry will step up and contract with NOAA for printing the traditional charts with which we are all familiar. Also, paper charts should be available for any boater, as we all are aware that while our GPS's are invaluable to our navigational needs, we always need the ability to have a backup in the event you have a system failure on our vessel.

EVERYONE on a vessel should have the ability to read a chart, plot a course and determine locations based on navigational knowledge. Take a course! I will end by saying – see you in 2014 in at least one of the courses we are offering.

Have a Wonderful Christmas and New Year! See you in 2014.



## NAUTICAL TIDBIT FOR DECEMBER: Crow's Nest



The raven, or crow, was an essential part of the Vikings' navigation equipment. These land-lubbing birds were carried aboard to help the ship's navigator determine where the closest land lay when weather prevented sighting the shore. In cases of poor visibility, a crow was released and the navigator plotted a course corresponding to the bird's flight path because the crow invariably headed towards land.

The Norsemen carried the birds in a cage secured to the top of the mast. Later on, as ships grew and the lookout stood his watch in a tub located high on the main mast, the name "crow's nest" was given to this tub. While today's Navy still uses lookouts in addition to radars, etc., the crow's nest is a thing of the past.



# Galley Gourmet

## Anna's Grandma's Cookies

Anna Pitman



### Ingredients:

- 2/3 cup butter or margarine, softened
- 2/3 cup brown sugar
- 2 large eggs
- 1 1/2 cups old-fashioned oats
- 1 1/2 cups flour
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 5-ounce package Ocean Spray® Craisins®  
Original Dried Cranberries or raisins
- 2/3 cup white chocolate chunks or chips

### Directions:

Preheat oven to 375°F. Using an electric mixer, beat butter or margarine and sugar together in a medium mixing bowl until light and fluffy. Add eggs, mixing well. Combine oats, flour, baking soda and salt in a separate mixing bowl. Add to butter mixture in several additions, mixing well after each addition. Stir in dried cranberries, pecans, and white chocolate chunks. Drop by rounded teaspoonfuls onto ungreased cookie sheets. Bake for 10-12 minutes or until golden brown. If you like soft cookies, cook about 10 minutes. Cool on wire rack. Makes approximately 2 1/2 dozen cookies. Enjoy!

**Tip:** Making cookies is a family tradition in my family. My grandmother spent many hours with my brother, sisters, and me in the kitchen stirring up delicious treats. At holiday time, we made many kinds of cookies to share with family and friends. And, I must say, we enjoyed tasting each one. We always had time to put on our aprons, pull out the mixing bowls, and bake delicious cookies that would fill our home with mouth-watering smells and laughter. In today's times, our lives are busy and we might not have time to bake, especially if you want to take a food to share. So, I am sharing my secret tip. If you really loved "Anna's Grandmother's Cookies," you can also buy them at the Fresh Market. There is nothing better than one of these cookies, a glass of milk (I prefer a glass of red wine.), and time to enjoy family and friends.



**Join us for the Greensboro Power Squadron's Christmas Party**

**Monday, December 9, 2013 at 6:00 pm.  
Centenary United Methodist Church  
2300 Friendly Avenue**

**Please join us for a potluck dinner, social activity and a visit from Santa and his helpers.**

**Help us celebrate this special evening by bringing a large casserole to share and a wrapped children's gift labeled with the appropriate age and gender. All children in attendance will receive a present from Santa.**

**Gifts not distributed will be donated to the Children's Home Society.**

**The squadron will provide a meat entree', coffee and tea.**

**To reserve your space, mail your check payable to Greensboro Power Squadron for \$5.00 per adult (children under 12 are free!) to:**

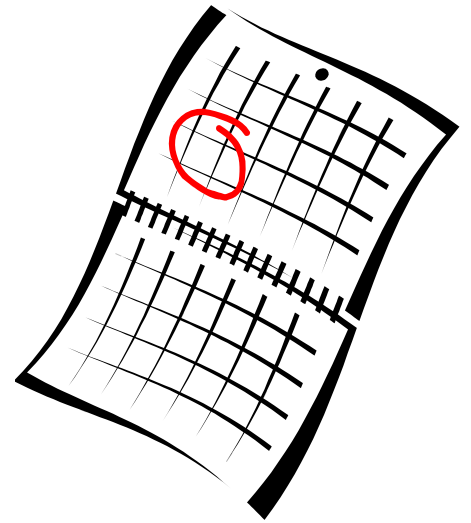
**Todd Ring  
6605 Stonecroft Dr  
Oak Ridge NC 27310**

**Reservations are required by December 2, 2013  
Todd & Tracey Ring 643-0650**



# Schedule of Events 2013

- 12/9/13 **GPS Christmas party**
- 12/16/13 Ex Com meeting
- 1/4/14 D27 Training Raleigh
- 1/13/14 Membership meeting
- 1/21/14 (Tuesday) Ex Com meeting
- 1/25/14 **GPS Change of Watch**



Even though you have a lot to bring to the December meeting which is our Christmas Dinner, please bring a can or two of food to share with the less fortunate. These will be happily collected and distributed to our local food bank for the holiday season.



A Very Special THANK YOU to our Friends at the O HENRY HOTEL for Their Support



# **The nominating committee submits the following names for the Elected Positions for the Greensboro Power Squadron for 2014**

<b>Commander</b>	<b>Lt/C Alec Wrenn, SN</b>
<b>Executive Officer</b>	<b>Lt/C Grant Dawson, AP</b>
<b>Administrative Officer</b>	<b>Anneli Johansson, P</b>
<b>Educational Officer</b>	<b>Lt/C Karen Nussman, AP</b>
<b>Assistant Education Officer</b>	<b>P/Lt/C Peter Dahl, JN</b>
<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>Lt Todd Ring, AP</b>
<b>Secretary</b>	<b>Lt Carol Kelly, AP</b>

**Elected Members At Large**                      **Craig Cooper, AP**

**To the Executive Committee**                      **Phil Thompson, S**  
(one year term)                                      **Leif Johansson, P**

**Most recent P/C to Exec. Comm.**              **Cdr David Schultz, SN**

**Nominating Committee**                              **Cdr David Schultz, SN**  
(3 year term)

**Rules Committee**                                      **Lt Larry Freeze, SN**  
  
(3 year term)

**Auditing Committee**                                      **Lt Kendra Bulla, P**  
(3 year term)

**Respectfully submitted by the GPS Nominating Committee:**  
**P/C Woods McGinn, AP, P/C Tom Statham, AP, P/C Ron Pittman, P**

Greensboro Power Squadron  
2014 Budget Proposal

	2014 <i>Proposed</i>	2013 <i>Budget</i>	2014 <i>Change</i>
<b><u>Income:</u></b>			
Dues	\$ 2,800	\$ 3,500	\$ (700)
Fund Raiser	\$ 750	\$ 1,300	\$ (550)
Interest Earned	\$ 150		\$ 150
Education	\$ 1,250	\$ 500	\$ 750
Squadron Patrons	\$ 200	\$ 200	\$ -
Calendar	\$ 750	\$ 700	\$ 50
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 5,900</b>	<b>\$ 6,200</b>	<b>\$ (300)</b>
<b><u>Expenses:</u></b>			
USPS Educ. Fund	\$ 110	\$ 100	\$ 10
Facilities	\$ 1,100	\$ 1,175	\$ (75)
National Meeting	\$ 250	\$ 750	\$ (500)
<b><u>Commander</u></b>			
Cmdr Misc	\$ 50	\$ 50	\$ -
Awards	\$ 800	\$ 750	\$ 50
<b><u>Executive Officer</u></b>			
Big Sweep	\$ 150	\$ 150	\$ -
Co-op Charting	\$ 50	\$ 25	\$ 25
Predicted Log	\$ 50	\$ -	\$ 50
Kids Day at Lake	\$ -	\$ 150	\$ (150)
D27 Hospitality	\$ -	\$ 250	\$ (250)
40th Anniversary	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b><u>Education Officer</u></b>			
Education	\$ 1,870	\$ 400	\$ 1,470
<b><u>Admin Officer</u></b>			
New M'br Mat'l	\$ 75	\$ 25	\$ 50
Programs	\$ 200	\$ 250	\$ (50)
<b><u>Secretary</u></b>			
Breeze	\$ 125	\$ 125	\$ -
Roster	\$ -	\$ 100	\$ (100)
Computer Misc	\$ 150	\$ 150	\$ -
Website Fee	\$ 150	\$ 75	\$ 75
<b><u>Treasurer</u></b>			
Calendar	\$ 175	\$ 175	\$ -
Chg of Watch	\$ 250	\$ 250	\$ -
Interest Reinvest	\$ 150	\$ -	\$ 150
Socials	\$ -	\$ 50	\$ (50)
Bank Fees	\$ 119	\$ -	\$ 119
Supplies	\$ 50	\$ -	\$ 50
Postage	\$ 26	\$ -	\$ 26
	<b>\$ 5,900</b>	<b>\$ 5,000</b>	<b>\$ 900</b>
<b>Net Gain / (Loss)</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 1,200</b>	<b>\$ (1,200)</b>

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