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There is still a need for canned food.

**Let's continue to help our local food banks.**

The GPS Executive Committee has authorized the following:  
On Monday nights at our regular meetings, GPS will be collecting canned food to help fill the empty food shelves. Please bring one, two or as many cans as you would like and let's show the community that GPS can also help out in non-water matters.

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# Notice to GPS Mariners

## March 11 Meeting

### “DIRTY HARRY NIGHT-THE SEQUEL”

Back by popular demand:

**6:00 Meet & Greet @ Capt. Bill's Seafood**

6108 W. Market St.

**6:30 Dinner & Membership Meeting**

**7:30 “Shoot ‘em if you got ‘em”**

**Caliber's Indoor Range**

6910 Downwind Rd. –Just around the corner from Capt. Bill's

#### March Birthdays

3	P/C J. Michael (Mike) Hackett, P	12	Ava B. Mitchell
4	P/C Philip A. (Phil) Hutson, N	16	Craig A. Cooper, AP
5	P/C R. Keith Bulla, JN	22	P/Lt/C Carolyn E. Hackett, P
6	Kenneth S. (Ken) Karb, JN	25	P/C William T. (Tom) Hamlin Jr., AP
8	P/C Clyde T. Canter, AP	28	Lt/C Patricia (Pat) Freeze, JN
8	R. Michael C. (Mike) Stokes	29	Richard C. Haggerty Jr.

#### Squadron Patrons

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

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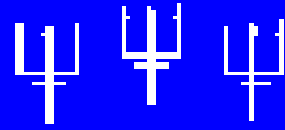
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## Commander's Log

Cdr David Schultz, SN



I would like to start this months article by saying welcome to the new members and readers we now have. Not only do we have P/Lt/C Peter Dahl and his wife Lynn, but we are now sending our Breeze out to all commanders of D27 plus all of the officers of D27 as well. so I hope you find something of value and entertaining in these pages.

last month I conducted my first general membership meeting and I asked the officers of my bridge to list the committees which fell under their department. I hope in this way, we as members will come to know whom we need to see when we have a question or comment concerning the squadron. I am hoping that this will promote more involvement by our members. Of course, as always, if anyone has a question or comment, please feel free to call me (288-7743) or send an email ( [schultzd@triad.rr.com](mailto:schultzd@triad.rr.com)). I will try to help you or find someone who can.

For those of you who missed last months meeting, we had a very interesting speaker talk about the new aquarium coming to the Natural Science Center. It should be opening this summer, and I for one, can hardly wait it check it out. The Science Center is located on Lawndale Drive next to the Battleground Park.

I know that our calendar has a lot of things planned for this year and I know that you cannot do them all, but I hope you will pick at least 2 or 3 of them and ask other members to join you as well. I think there is a great variety of activities, some more civic, some more social and some requiring travel. But there are a lot that are more local, so travel shouldn't be a big issue with those. Please look at your squadron calendar and contact the chairperson for the events you wish to attend as soon as possible. Because some of the events are more dependent on the size of the group than others, it is always helpful to the chair to know how many to plan for.

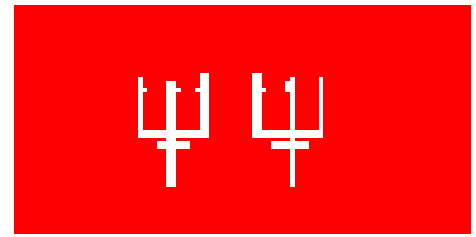
I would also like to take this opportunity to mention the up coming D27 50th anniversary party and change of watch in Raleigh on March 22 & 23rd. Also Lt. Larry Freeze is currently looking for members to join us in April at Oriental for the in water boat show and a Saturday evening event at Burton Kennedy's house. Larry is trying to secure rooms for all those wanting to go, so PLEASE let him know ASAP if you plan to go.

March is almost here, meaning boating season is fast approaching, so make sure you have your boat inspected, contact Woods McGinn, our vessel safety chairman. Also any interested persons who would like to become an inspector, please contact Woods to find out how you can become one. Currently, our squadron only has three inspectors and are in desperate need of more. Vessel inspections are a great way to meet people and to also introduce them to the Greensboro Power Squadron as well.

This is a reminder that on the second Sunday of this month, we spring forward to daylight saving time. I for one like it because I have extra daylight after work to work on my boat. I guess that's it for now, as always "I'll see ya on the pond".



Executive Officer  
Lt/C Alec Wrenn, SN



When we were inducted into membership of the United States Power Squadrons which was done at the squadron level, we stated a pledge which included the words “.... to maintain my boat and operate it legally.....”. There is a fair chance that if we do not diligently maintain our boats, we will not operate them either legally or illegally !

Some annual maintenance is performed at the end of the boating season, however, many of us also pull maintenance in the late winter and early spring. This is such a happy time of the year, when you hear the symphony of “cash is calling, cash is calling” ! Between the boat maintenance and the Infernal Revenue Service, we begin to bleed, if not hemorrhage this time of year.

So, the generator is not working. It is probably something minor, such as the glow plugs needing service, but of course it is not something minor, it is a compression issue! How about some rings and taking out the pistons and .....

But wait, behind the generator is the AC water heater. This is the original water heater, 20 years old or so. It shows it's age, and its continued performance is questionable. While the generator is in place and intact, you cannot get to the water heater. So, while the generator top components are off, there is this one time opportunity to replace the water heater or you can gamble on the water heater continuing to perform. If you loose this gamble, you will not know for two years that water heater is failing ! Now, you get to pay someone to dismantle a recently serviced and perfectly performing generator so access can be gained to replace the water heater that betrayed you.

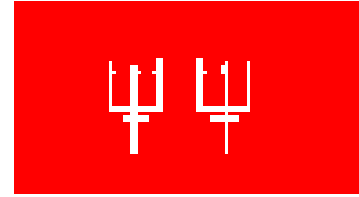
Boating is fun, let me show you how!







Administrative Officer  
Lt/C Grant Dawson, AP



Tom Statham has graciously agreed to arrange our March 11, 2013 Membership Meeting. We will meet at Capt. Bill's Seafood, 6108 West Market St., Greensboro NC for dinner at 6pm on Monday night. Our business meeting will follow dinner.

The program will be at Calibers Gun Range at 6910 Downwind Rd (very near Capt. Bill's) at 1930 (7:30pm). Many of us went last year and had a great time. Bring your own fire arms or rent there. We cannot be sure of the price until we know how many people participate. Calibers charges us a flat fee which will be divided among the participants. Last year was about \$10 each.

Bill Young will have our April meeting (April 8, 2012). I am sure this will be an excellent program. Bill has been awarded teacher of the year for our squadron a number of times.

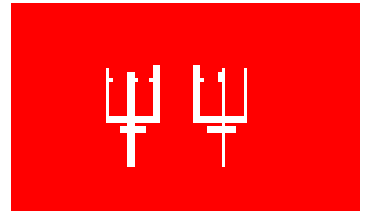
April 12 & 13 members are invited to attend the Oriental Boat Show. Contact Larry Freeze for details.

April 20 is the squadron yard sale - open to the public. Sue Shultz is chairing this event.





## Education Officer's Lt. Karen Nussman, AP



It is a start of a new year for the GPS and also a start of a new boating season. As long as everyone follows safe boating tips, boating can be a fun way for the whole family to spend some free time together on the waters. Below are some tips you and your family need to know in order to have a safe boating experience.

- Make sure your boat is in safe condition to take out on the water. This means the boat should be soundly built and be free from fire and safety hazards. The boat should also have all of the safety equipment that is required by law on board, and this equipment should be in good working order. **Have a qualified GPS member do a Vessel Safety Check!**
- Each boat is rated to hold only a certain number of passengers and a certain amount of cargo weight. Avoid over-crowding or overloading your boat for maximum watercraft safety.
- The Captain of the boat should not be the only person who has a working knowledge of the boat's operation. At least one other person should know how to throttle the boat motor, how to stop the boat, and how to signal for help in case of an emergency
- Every passenger in the boat, regardless of whether or not they can swim should wear a life jacket at all times. The life jacket should fit properly and have all straps, etc., secured for safety
- The captain of the boat should know all of the navigational rules for the specific body of water you are boating in. He or she should also maintain a safe speed at all times as well as keep a clear view of all directions around the boat.
- The captain should know the boat's position and he or she should also know how to navigate the waters so you do not get lost
- The captain should be alert for changes in the weather conditions and know what to do in case a storm suddenly comes up. Some indications of a storm include thick clouds, a sudden drop in the atmospheric temperature, or an increase in the wind speed or direction. You've heard this before? You may want to look into one of the upcoming courses our squadron is having to reinforce your knowledge and learn some new perspectives.

### **Nautical Term for March -Cockpit**

**Cockpit:** Originally, the "cockpit" in a man-of-war was the compartment under the lower gundeck where the wounded were attended to during battle. This space was near the after hatchway and was at one time was also used as the mess for certain of the officers on board. Today the cockpit is the well or sunken recess of a small sailing vessel where the steering wheel or tiller is located, the place from where the control is exercised.

## 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.

## Schedule of Events 2013

- 1/12/13 Ladies tea
- 1/14/13 Membership business meeting
- 1/22/13 (Tuesday) Ex. Com meeting
- 1/26/13 **GPS Change of Watch**
- 2/11/13 Membership meeting
- 2/16/13 Progressive dinner
- 2/18/13 Ex. Com meeting
- 2/22-23/13 **D/27 Annual meeting/ 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary Change of Watch**
- 4/8/13 Membership meeting
- 4/12-14/13 **Oriental boat show, dinner @ Burton Kennedy's**
- 4/15/13 Ex. Com meeting
- 4/20/13 Squadron yard sale
- 5/13/13 Membership meeting
- 5/17-18/13 Smith Mt. Lake predicted log
- 5/20/13 Ex. Com meeting
- 6/7-8/13 **Port tour in Wilmington, Co-op Charting/ dinner cruise**
- 6/10/13 Membership meeting
- 6/17/13 Ex. Com meeting
- 6/19/13 Kids day at the lake
- 6/29/13 Belews Cruise
- 7/8/13 **Membership meeting Hummer in the summer**
- 7/13/13 Watauga River cruise (blueberry picking)
- 7/15/13 Ex Com meeting

- 8/8-11/13 **D/27 rendezvous Cape Charles, VA**
- 8/12/13 Blueberry social
- 8/19/13 Ex Com meeting
- 9/1-7/13 National Board meeting San Antonio Texas
- 9/9/13 Membership meeting / wine tasting
- 9/14/13 **Smith Mt. Lake wooden boat show**
- 9/16/13 Ex Com meeting
- 9/28/13 Greensboro yacht club event
- 10/5/13 Big Sweep
- 10/14/13 PC Happening
- 10/21/13 Ex com meeting
- 10/26/13 **Old Salem Halloween tour**
- 11/2/13 Ladies luncheon
- 11/9/13 Dinner and a show
- 11/11/13 Membership meeting
- 11/18/13 Ex Com meeting
- 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**





“Please Let Me Introduce”

Cmd David L. Schultz, SN

Birthday: July 30<sup>th</sup>

Family : Wife Sue; Children Chad and Jamie. Grandchildren: Addison, Reece, Tori, and Parker

Pets: Dog- Josie & Cat- Smokey

Hometown Greensboro, NC

Education Lees McRae in Banner Elk, NC

Favorite Sports Team: Carolina Panthers & Carolina Hurricanes

GPS: Joined in 2002

Boat Name: “Iron Jenny”-sailboat & “Sea Kat”- power catamaran

Home Port: Supply, NC

Dream Boat: Nordic tug or Island Trader

Most Fun Trip on a Boat: Charter canal trip in England with family & friends

Scariest Time on the Water: Almost breached in a 17 ft open bow rider.

3 Words That Describe Me: Loyal, naïve, old fashioned.

One Thing People Don't Know About Me: I'm trying to learn to play the violin.

Hobbies: R/C Model aircraft.

Day Job: City of Greensboro, Traffic Signal Technician

Dream Vacation: Go to the moon! But plan some day on doing the “Great Loop





**The 2013 Oriental In The Water Boat Show is coming up 12 -14 April 2013.**

The 2013 Oriental in the Water Boat Show and Nautical Flea Market should be a lot of fun. Located at Pecan Grove Marina, there will be over 50 exhibitors. The Nautical Flea Market and seminars are Friday and Saturday afternoons.

You can see show details at <http://orientalboatshow.com/> and seminar details at <http://orientalboatshow.com/schedule>

We will be staying at the River Neuse Suites. Right now they have rooms available and are expecting to hear from Greensboro Squadron members. For reservations call [252-249-1404](tel:252-249-1404). Check them out at <http://www.riverneuserentals.com/index.asp>

I don't know how fast things fill up for this event, but Oriental is a small town so it may be prudent to book early either at River Neuse Suites or otherwise.

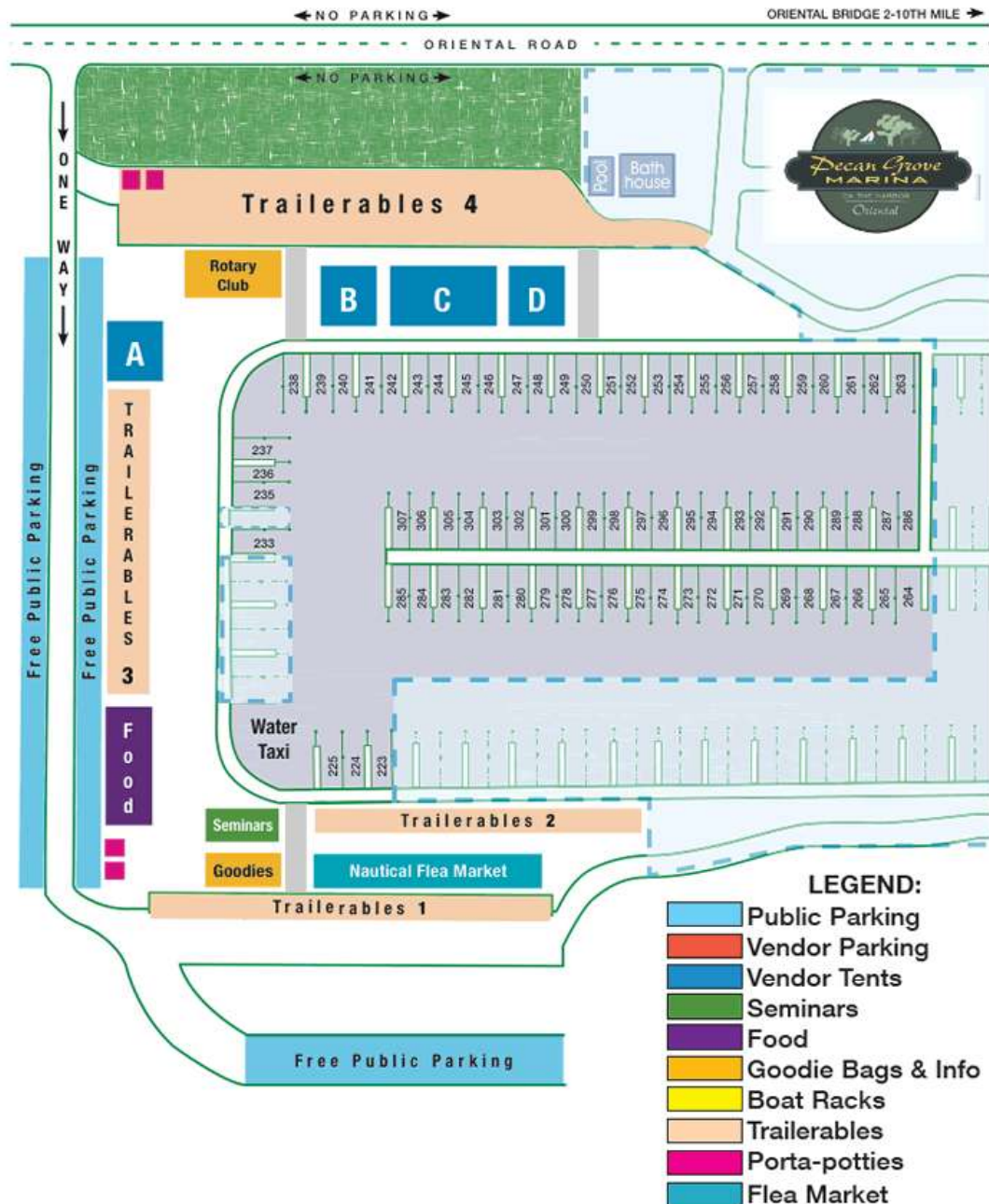
Plans include a Friday evening cocktail party and dinner at a local restaurant, and a Saturday evening cook out at the home of Burton Kennedy.

You should expect to pay \$5.00 admission at the show. Also expect a small fee for food supplied for the cook out and bring a dish to share.

More details to come.

If you haven't already, please reply if you plan to be there.

Larry Freeze  
[freezele@yahoo.com](mailto:freezele@yahoo.com)  
 336-817-6657



## Sailing on a Whim

In the spring of 2000, Larry and I decided 2 weeks before our one week vacation that we would like to sail on the Chesapeake. We were able to secure a 33 foot Hunter for the week from a marina in Rock Hall, Maryland. We set out driving from Kernersville with our dog, Molly, and arrived in Rock Hall late on a Friday night and were able to sleep on the boat that night.

We had decided to provision our boat the next morning at grocery stores there. Being true southerners we were planning to purchase grits to go along with our breakfast. These were not to be found! I guess they don't appreciate good food in the north! After provisioning (without our grits), we set out for Annapolis.

After a very good sail – the weather was perfect and the wind in the right direction, we picked up a mooring ball in Annapolis. Soon, a small boat came out to where we were to collect the fee for the night. They told us about a ferry that would take us ashore, and also that restaurants would even deliver pizza or other food to us. That sounded great but we decided to take our dingy (which came with the boat) ashore. We went into Annapolis and had a good walk and dinner. Poor Molly had to stay on the boat.

The next day we headed out to St. Michaels. The motor would not start so we called the rental company. They were happy with Larry fixing it as it was a small problem. Anyway, we sailed around Bloody Point and up to St. Michaels. We anchored there and went into St. Michaels the next day. We enjoyed the museum there and a good blue crab dinner. We met some very nice people at the museum who were also on a sailboat. They told us of a good isolated anchorage not too far from there. That sounded great to us so we followed them to the anchorage which was in Shaw Bay. We enjoyed appetizers and wine with them on their boat and had a wonderful night. Sailing off the anchor, we headed back to Annapolis for another night there. We anchored in Back Creek. The next morning it was time to sail the boat back to Rock Hall. What a wonderful week!





# BREEZE ADVISORIES

This section is to provide information to GPS members. **POST UPCOMING EVENTS HERE.** If you have a boating related item for sale, list it here. If you are looking for a partner to charter a boat, post it here. If you run across a new marina or restaurant on the coast that you think others might enjoy, let us know. Contact Michael 336-382-2390 or if possible "michaelgunter014@gmail.com"

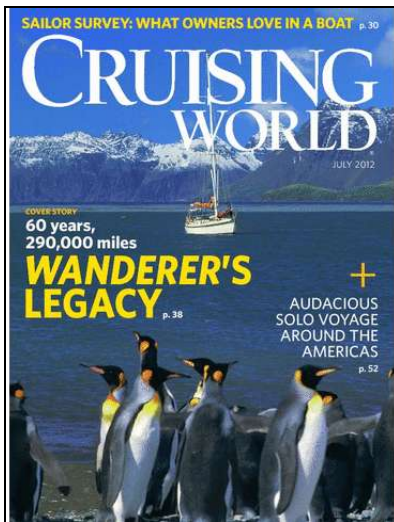
Dear fellow members of the Power Squadron,

My two sons keep on wanting to borrow my boat to take their kids fishing at the Greensboro City Lakes. Last week it was brought back covered with Chicken livers that they had used to catch Catfish. I am looking to buy a used outboard motor of about ten H.P. that I can let them use on city owned boats. I need something fairly reliable at a reasonable price. I meant to place an ad in our last newsletter but forgot. Please keep your eyes and ears open and please let me know if you have any leads.

Jed Norris  
336-674-5347  
Pleasant Garden

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## “Cooks Night Off”

Please join us at the Carolina Cafe at Friendly Shopping Center (next to Gate City Pharmacy) Monday between 6:00 – 6:30 P.M. for dinner and conversation before the Monthly Squadron Meeting. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend.

Look for familiar faces in the eastern front corner of the dining area. This is a terrific way to get to know your fellow squadron members on a more up-close and personal level. Lots of laughs, great conversation, and no one has to cook!! See you there!



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