

Commander's Message



Cdr James C. Larson, S

Well, winter is almost over. By the time we get this out, maybe the ice will be broken up or even gone from the lake. Hope so as I am ready to go. Let's make this a great summer.

To start the summer off, we will be having a Sloppy Joes lunch on 11 April 2009, at the Saylorville Marina parking lot to try to help out all those hungry boaters working on getting ready for opening week. This would be an easy one to help with in getting ready, serving and cleaning up as it will only be for two to three hours and we will serve from our new trailer.

Are any of you into scrapbooking? We need help with putting all the old pictures into an album. Some of the pictures are of the original Squadron members.

We will be needing people to help at Brightwell's Boathouse Open House on 4 & 5 April 2009. The squadron will have a table with literature to help promote the squadron and boating

safety. If you can help, contact me or the Danleys.

Our Spring Boat Safety class will be underway by the time you receive this. We are using the new material which has a four week schedule and an optional extra two weeks that would cover basic charting and navigation. The optional classes are an introduction to the full course of either subject.

The fun is just about to begin for the summer. Lets have fun, boat safely and all get involved promoting our squadron and it's basic—Safety on the Water! ✧

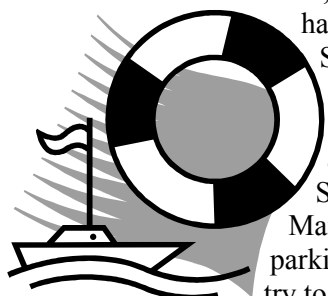
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Stf/C Theodore C. Kontos, SN

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"Gifts" designated to the USPS Endowment Fund are invested in an account separate from other assets/investments of USPS. R/C Michael



Safe Boating Week
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