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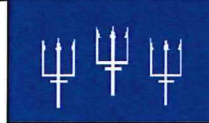
**St. Clair Shores**  
**Sail & Power Squadron**  
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## From The Desk of Commander Bonnie Krieg, AP

Happy Valentine's Day Everyone:

Our Change of Watch went great! Pictures are on our website. Thanks to all who helped making the evening such a great success!



Leading Our  
Squadron Forward



### **A message on Sail Angle that is important to all members:**

**Subject:** USPS - Check your Roster (Contact) Information by Feb 1

**Message:** "

Please check and edit as needed your personal contact information in the national database by February 1, 2014. Printed rosters will be generated this spring for many squadrons, district and national. It is up to each member to check their own record to verify their email address, their mailing address, cell phone, home phone, boat name, etc are up-to-date. National requires all Squadrons to submit their OD-2 forms and districts to submit their OD-1 forms by February 1. This is a personnel list and your address information will be pulled from the database to print the national roster. With the annual meeting and cruise only two weeks away, please get them in now. Once anything is printed, it is too late for an entire year. You can check your information by following the steps below to access the national website, or you can contact your squadron secretary or roster chair.

Thank you in advance, Kristi Anderson  
Go to [www.usps.org](http://www.usps.org).  
Click on Member Stuff link.  
Click on Information Center.

(If you are not logged in, you will need to do so. [note: everyone has a pre-assigned PIN and a security question and the security question is your zip code if you have not changed it yet.]  
Go to Member Stuff --> Get My PIN to login.)

On left, click on "Membership Info --> "Manage your own profile". Here you can enter any changes in the boxes.

Click Update button.



**General  
Membership  
Meeting**

**Thursday  
February 6**

**Please see  
enclosed  
details**

Continued on next page ...

## Continued from Commander Bonnie Krieg, AP

Please make sure your membership dues are up to date. Members that have not paid their dues will be excluded from this roster.

I would like to invite all members to our General Meetings. If we have a decent attendance, not only will it be more fun, we can invite guest speakers. In order to be fair to our speakers we need to show an interest. If not interested in a guest speaker, we need to know that too! The bridge would like to hear your suggestions, as to rendezvous, meeting places, and any suggestions you might have.

Please make every effort to attend our meetings. We need to hear your voice! I promise to try to make our meetings brief as possible.

Thanks,  
Bonnie

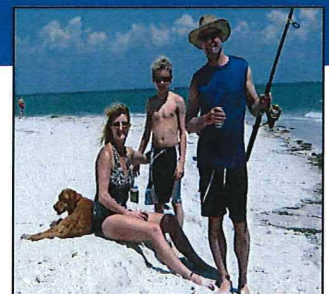
## 2014 Inspiration ~ May you always make the right move.



## Editor—P/C Linda M. Lumpkin, S

I'm looking for a volunteer to mail out hard copies of the monthly newsletters. If interested, please give me a call at (586) 218-9255 or email me at [scssps@ymail.com](mailto:scssps@ymail.com)

Thanks, Linda



# You are invited!

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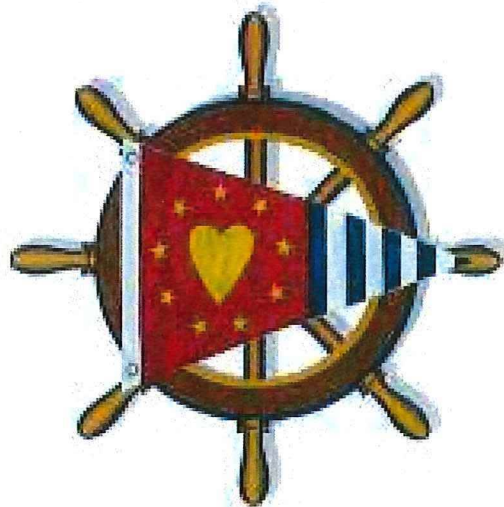
**St. Clair Shores Sail & Power Squadron**

## General Membership Meeting

Thursday, February 6, 2014

**6:30 pm dinner**

**7:30 pm meeting**



**Location: Captain Jack's Lakefront Bar and Grill**

24026 Jefferson

St. Clair Shores, MI 48080

**"GUESTS ARE WELCOME"**

## Executive Committee - 2014

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### Past Commanders:

2011/12 - Robert L. Krieg, AP

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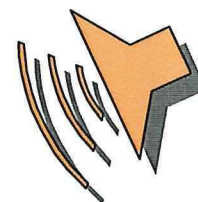
**HAPPY VALENTINES  
DAY FROM CAPTAIN**



## General Membership Meetings

General Membership Meetings are normally held on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of every month, 6:30 Dinner, 7:30 meeting, September through June.

**Location: Captain Jack's Lakefront Bar and Grill  
24026 Jefferson, St. Clair Shores, MI 48080**



## Executive Board Meetings

Executive Committee Meetings are normally held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of every month, at 7:30 PM, August through May.

**Location: Cdr Bonnie Krieg's Home  
22486 Ardmore Park Drive, St Clair Shores, MI 48081**

# Change of Watch

~ more pics on the website: [www.scssps.org](http://www.scssps.org)







# 56th Annual Detroit Boat Show

February 15-23, 2014 • Cobo Center

Hi All,

It's that time of year again where we need to get ready for the 2014 Detroit Boat Show. The show runs from February 15th through the 23rd. Please contact me if you would like to work the show.

Thank You,

D/9 Boat Show Chairman  
Bob Krieg Sr.

(586) 943-1255  
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## CHAPLAN'S MESSAGE:

**FAITH, is taking the first step even when you don't see the whole staircase".**

**Martin Luther King Jr.**



**P/C Dennis**



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## Safety Tips



# We see the smoke over Anchor Bay and wonder why ... !?

## Waterfowl habitat improvement occurring at St. Clair Flats Wildlife Area

An 850-acre prescribed burn is planned for St. Clair Flats State Wildlife Area in St. Clair County when the weather conditions are right in early 2014. The burn will help to remove the invasive plant phragmites on portions of Dickinson and Harsens islands. This project is funded through the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Grant Program.

In an attempt to improve habitat on the St. Clair Flats, the DNR – along with Ducks Unlimited, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Southeast Michigan Council of Governments, Michigan Sea Grant, Wildlife and Wetlands Solutions, Clay Township and local landowners – has been controlling the spread of invasive phragmites through herbicide application.

Now that the phragmites has been treated with herbicides, a large amount of dead standing phragmites remains. The burn will remove this standing material and improve marsh conditions for waterfowl and other wetland wildlife.

“We are waiting for dry, windy conditions that will sustain a fire and drive the smoke east over Anchor Bay, away from local residents,” said DNR wildlife biologist Terry McFadden.

*Phragmites australis*, also known as common reed, is a perennial, wetland grass that can grow to 15 feet in height. While some phragmites is native to Michigan, an invasive, non-native, variety of phragmites is becoming widespread and is threatening the ecological health of wetlands and the Great Lakes coastal shoreline.

Invasive phragmites creates tall, dense stands which degrade wetlands and coastal areas by crowding out native plants and animals, blocking shoreline views, and reducing access for swimming, fishing and hunting and can create fire hazards from dry plant material.

Before a burn is conducted, experienced and trained DNR fire staff will study the area and carefully develop a burn plan to maximize the desired effects of fire while assuring safety procedures are in place. The burn plan is essentially the "prescription" for how to conduct the burn safely while accomplishing the management objectives. The burn plan focuses on minimizing the effects of smoke, and also ensuring that the fire stays well within the established perimeter through the use of specialized DNR fire-fighting equipment. Although the plan is reviewed and approved well in advance, the actual burn must get a final approval the morning of a burn after DNR fire staff go over a rigorous go/no-go checklist. If conditions are not favorable, the burn can be cancelled at any time.



Department of Natural Resources

Frozen in time: Michigan lighthouses transformed into stunning giant icicles after being frozen solid by storm

These stunning photographs were captured by American photographer Thomas Zakowski, 56, on a trip to two cities in Michigan after a storm battered the state.



# D9 Spring Conference 2014

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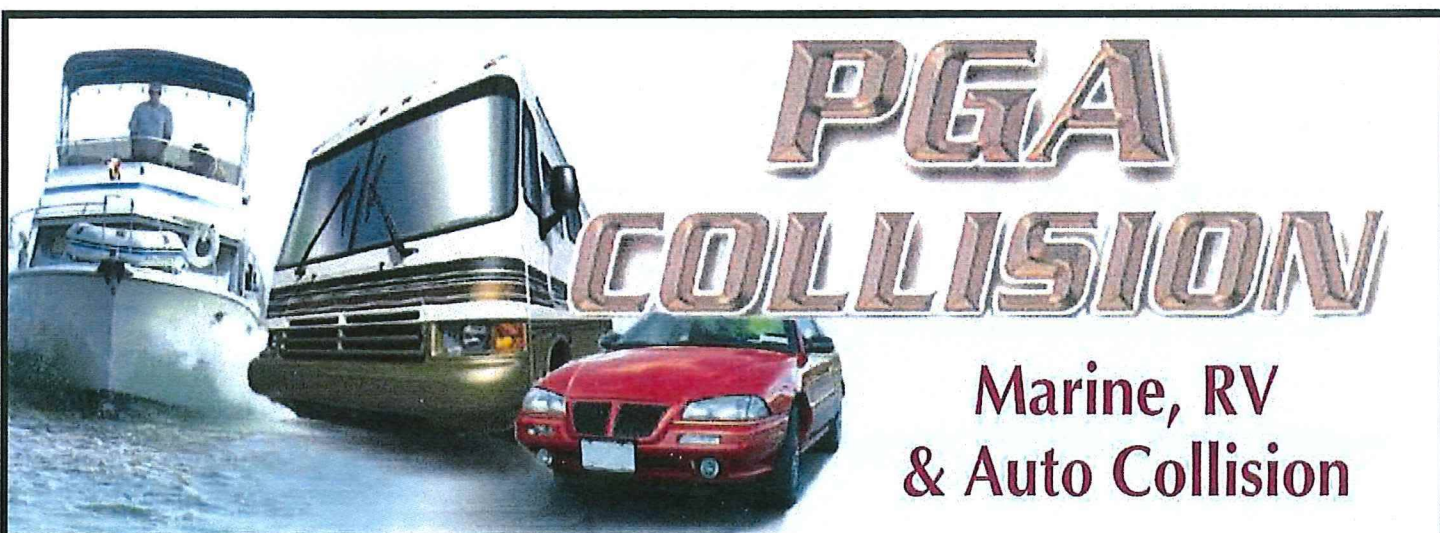
Mike Rachuk  
D9 conference Coordinator

**TIME TO RENEW!!!**

**SCSSPS BOOSTERS 2014**

# CALENDAR

WE WILL BE NAILING DOWN OUR CALENDAR OF EVENTS SOON, WITH DISCUSSION AT THE FEBRUARY GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING. PLEASE BRING YOUR SCHEDULES AND GET READY FOR A YEAR OF EXCITING NEW EVENTS IN 2014!



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# **MEMBERSHIP DRIVE!!!**

We are offering discounted memberships exclusively to St. Clair Shores Sail & Power Squadron. Officially, June 1st dues will be decreased for our squadron only!

**\$55 - Individual**  
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**It's a no-brainer!**

**For what you get out of our membership,  
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*And conduct myself in a manner that will add*

*prestige, honor, and respect to the*

*United States Power Squadrons."*

**Complainless:** (adj.)

1. to be free of complaints
2. a pleasure to be around!

How to be "ComplainLess":

- **Be accountable.** Focus on solving problems.

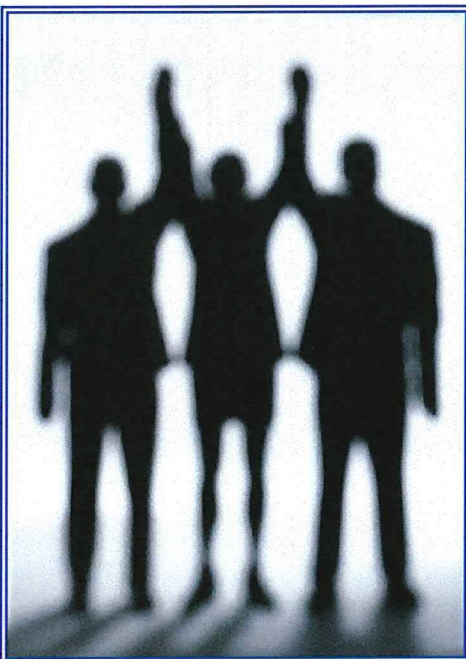
Unless you plan to help, or take on the responsibility, your "grumbling" is a complete waste of energy.



- **Be aware, and pause before you begin.** Recognize your typical paths to complaining. The easiest way to stop complaining is to be quiet. Clip a complaint as you feel it coming. Put a smile or thoughtful statement in its path.

**Be thankful.** Regularly reflect on all the good in your life (people, opportunities, things). Understand and enjoy how lucky we really are.

Set the example for others. Create a positive habit so others enjoy and want to be around you.



These points are especially important for our board members to remember, and focus on, during our General Membership Meetings. Our membership wants to know we are a team and we have fun!



# St. Clair Shores Sail & Power Squadron

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## Associate Member Application

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Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Business phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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Boat name: \_\_\_\_\_ Size: \_\_\_\_\_ Power or Sail: \_\_\_\_\_

Current squadron: \_\_\_\_\_

Certificate number: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Rank: \_\_\_\_\_

What is the reason you want to be an Associate Member of SCSSPS?

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**SIGNATURE**

*Annual Associate Membership dues are \$10. The Membership year is the same as that of USPS, June 1 to May 31, and is not prorated. Associate members receive our monthly "Shore Lines" newsletter and are welcome to participate at all official General Membership, educational and social functions of SCSSPS.*

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Newsletters are distributed to all squadrons in District 9, as well as to boosters, associate members, and other supporters, and your contribution is tax deductible.

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