



BEACHCOMBER



Formerly known as DAYTONA BEACH SAIL & POWER SQUADRON
A Unit of United States Power Squadrons Sail & Power Boating

December, 2023

DECEMBER 10: DB Squadron Christmas Lunch, Foster Residence 1 p.m.
12: Lunch Bunch, Outback, Daytona, 11:30
14: Executive Committee, HRYC, 7 p.m.
25: Merry Christmas

JANUARY 1: Happy New Year
9: Lunch Bunch, 11:30 Olive Garden, Daytona
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18: Squadron Dinner Meeting, 6:30

FEBRUARY 3-11: National Conference, Rosen Plaza, Orlando
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23-25 D23 Change of Watch, Jax Bch. Hampton Inn Beachfront



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Merry Christmas!



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Cdr Paul S. Martines, JN
P/C Cheryl Martines, AP

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P/D/C Jeff Wise, JN
P/C Cheryl W. Martines, AP

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P/C Don Roman, AP
P/D/C Jeffrey T. Wise, JN

Rules Committee

Cdr Paul S. Martines, JN
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Chaplain

Lt /C Gary Foster, P

Flag Lieutenant

P/C Don Roman, AP

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Cdr Paul S. Martines, JN

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**Vessel Safety Check
Committee**

P/C Don Roman, AP

Secretary's Department

**Information Technology
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P/C Don Roman, AP

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D/L/T Sharon Neitzey

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P/C Don Roman, AP

P/D/C Tim Henke, JN-CN

Administrative Department

Asst. Administrative Officer

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Assistant Treasurer

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COMMANDER Paul Martines, JN

We had our last dinner meeting at Red Lobster Restaurant. It was very well attended despite the stormy wind and rain that night.

Our annual Christmas luncheon is coming up next month on December 10th. Please contact our Admin Officer, Gary Foster, to sign up to come. We need an exact count for preparations. We also have the Squadron Change of Watch coming up in March of 2024. Anyone interested in coming on the Bridge or Executive Board or as Members at Large, please contact me or the nominating committee. We need members to get involved so we can have a successful squadron.

The USPS America's Boating Club National Conference will be held at the Rosen Plaza Hotel in Orlando from February 3 through February 11. I would like all incoming Bridge and Executive Officers & Committee and Squadron members to make an effort to attend at least one or two days to see what's coming up next year.

There is a new iMIS system coming out from National within the next 6 months to go live with testing & training. This will enable District and Squadron Officers to post their information on the National web site. This will be helpful for Squadrons & District members to see what's coming up in their area and participate in the events. Keep an eye out for more information coming out from National.

Make sure you read through this issue and pay attention to the calendar of events coming up.

Respectfully Submitted: Commander, Paul Martines, JN

Executive Officer Report

We have **(6)** Vessel Safety Officers and we have completed **(91)** Vessel Inspections this year. That is the most we have had in many years. We have already completed a few on next year's tally. Great job. Thank you to all our Vessel Safety Examiners.

Merit Marks

I would like to thank all the members that worked with squadron activities to promote a successful year. We had 22 members submitted for a merit mark and all have been accepted from national to receive a Merit Mark - See the list on p. 5. **Outstanding Job - Thank You**

Merit Mark Chair: Cdr. Paul Martines, JN

Respectfully Submitted: Commander, Paul Martines, JN

CONGRATULATIONS TO 2023

MERIT MARK RECIPIENTS!!

*Cdr. Paul Martinez, JN P/C Will Benny, SN D/Lt/C Steve Becker, AP
P/C Don Roman, AP Lisa Smith P/C Catherine Henke, AP
P/D/C Jeff Wise, JN P/D/C Tim Henke, JN Frank Neltzey, A
Lt Christine Zahornacky P/Lt/C Greg Zahornacky, P Emit Zapata
Kimberly Schmidt, SN P/D/C Ron Radford, AP Lt/C Gary Foster, P
Kathleen Foster, S P/C Sherry Martinez, AP D/Lt/C Sharon Neltzey
Rita Wise, P Rebecca Roman, S Danielle Jones Leon Jones*

Cdr. Paul Martinez, JN * Chair, Merit Mark Committee

"The Meaning of a Merit Mark"

The Merit Mark Committee has the honor, privilege, and responsibility of preparing merit mark recommendations for those Active and Family members who have made substantial efforts on behalf of our Squadron during the calendar year 2023.

After earning five Merit Marks a member becomes known as a Senior Member and upon earning 25 Merit Marks a Merit Mark is awarded by the Chief Commander to USPS members who have the furthered interests, programs, and objectives of USPS, its districts, and its squadrons. Members are limited to one Merit Mark per year. When a merit mark recommendation is approved, the Chief Commander issues a certificate to the recipient, who is then entitled to wear a special merit mark insignia on his/her USPS uniform.

After earning 5 Merit Marks, a member becomes known as a Senior Member, and upon earning 25 Merit Marks, the member is designated a Life Member and is exempt from paying dues.

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For Boaters, By Boaters™ 



Administrative Officer Lt/C Gary Foster, P

The holidays are in full swing with our November meeting at Red Lobster successfully well-attended. December is all about our Christmas Luncheon. If you were at the November squadron meeting, you are aware of the changes we had to make because of not reaching the Palmetto Club's minimum number.

Not to be dismayed, we are holding the event at our home at 1553 Poplar Dr., Ormond Beach, FL 32174. It will be the same date, Sunday the 10th, at 1:00 instead of noon. Menu will change a bit with a holiday buffet for \$30. The reservations for those who already signed up will stand unless I hear from you (706-255-3007). If you have not signed up please call me by December 4 to reserve a plate.

We have already received a number of checks and cash towards the purchase of the food. If you wish to send your payment early, that would be greatly appreciated. We will accept checks and cash only at the door. We will not be able to accommodate credit cards this year.

If you wish to participate in our fun and challenging "gift exchange" game, remember to bring a wrapped gift priced between \$15 and \$20. Ladies, bring a ladies gift - men, a man's gift, or bring something neutral that both genders would enjoy. Merrily yours, Gary and Kathleen

Respectfully Submitted: Lt/C Gary Foster, P



Treasurer D/Lt/C Steve Becker, P

The treasury's checking account only had one credit and one debit in November. \$38 was deposited reflecting the proceeds from the 50/50 contest at the November dinner meeting. Lake Norman Awards and Engraving was paid \$27.50 for name tags for new members.

During the pandemic we subscribed to Go To Meetings to enable us to conduct meetings remotely. We no longer need that service so we canceled it, saving \$144 a year.

Respectfully Submitted: D/Lt/C Steve Becker, P



Education Officers
SEO P/C Will Benny, SN-CN



ASEO P/C Don Roman, P

The Basic Boating Safety Class, ABC3, is scheduled to be held on two successive Saturday's Jan 13 and 20, 2024 at the Halifax River Yacht Club. The class runs from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. each day. We need more help with our classes. Contact Don Roman, (386) 4536456, if you can help.

Respectfully Submitted: SEO P/C Will Benny, SN-CN and ASEO P/C Don Roman, P



Secretary
D/L/C Sharon Neitzey

Please contact me (sneitzey@aol.com or 386-290-1243) with any corrections or questions regarding the minutes that were sent for November. Also, let me know if you have photos or items of interest that you feel should be included in our newsletter. I will need all information for the January Beachcomber by December 26. Thank you.

Respectfully Submitted: D/L/C Sharon Neitzey

DISTRICT 23 NEWS

Start planning now to attend our Spring Change of Watch, which will be held February 23-25 in Jacksonville Beach at the Hampton Inn Beachfront. We will install the new D23 Bridge Officers. Come get to know the members of our nearby squadrons and share ideas, experiences, and a common purpose. More information will follow as soon as plans are finalized. Save the date!

Respectfully Submitted: D/L/C Sharon Neitzey

HAPPY DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS!

Denise Benny

Richard Burns

Gary Foster

Jeff Wise

Vivian Toro



Happy birthday to you.

Happy birthday to you.

Happy birthday dear squadron members.

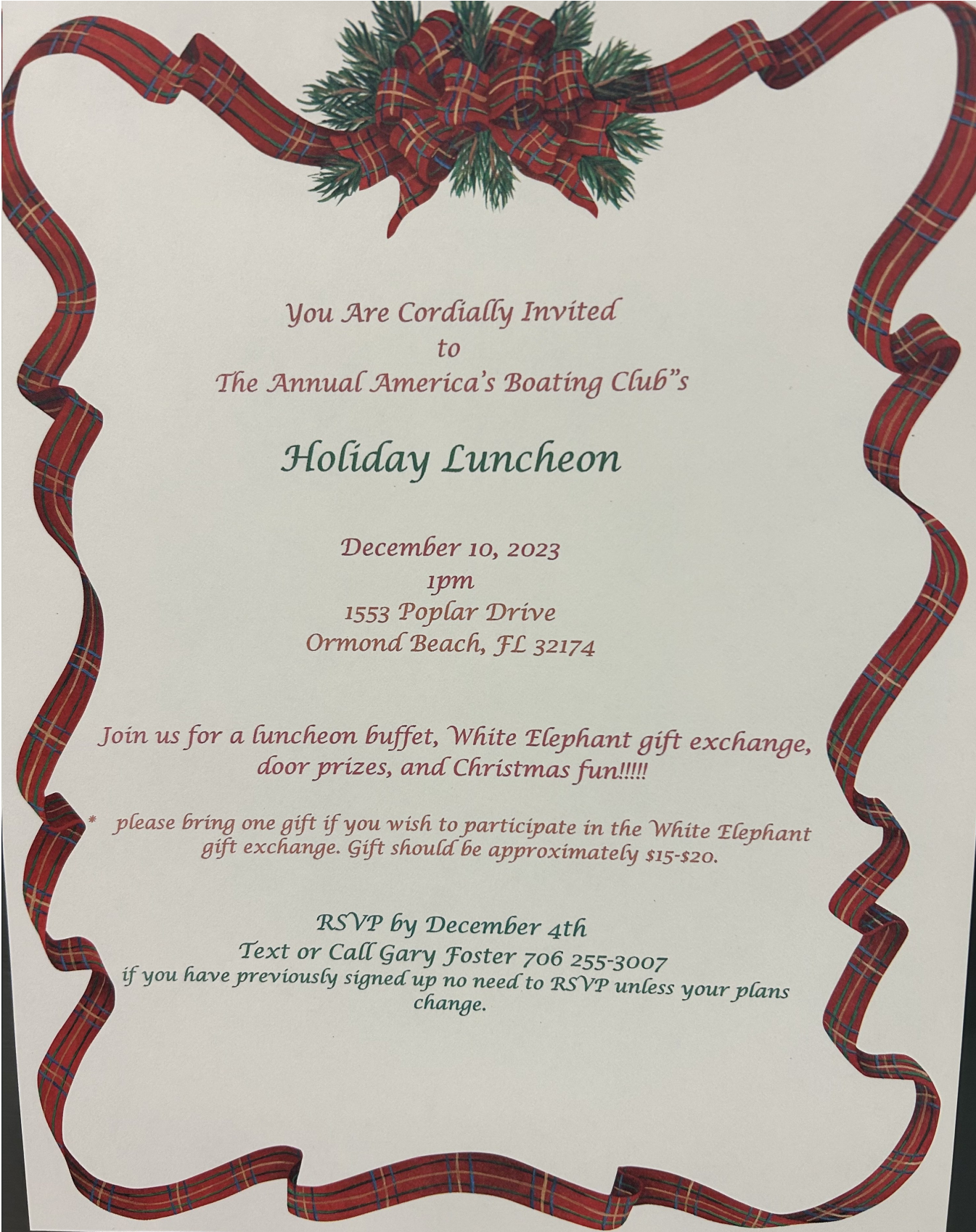
Happy birthday to YOU!!!

Lucky Star



Lucky Star Winner ...

Sadly, Richard Stratton was not there when his name was drawn to win \$75 at our November Dinner Meeting. The pot rolls over for the next Lucky Star drawing, which will be held on January 18 at our next regular dinner meeting in January. The pot will be \$100 at that time.



*You Are Cordially Invited
to
The Annual America's Boating Club's*

Holiday Luncheon

*December 10, 2023
1pm
1553 Poplar Drive
Ormond Beach, FL 32174*

*Join us for a luncheon buffet, White Elephant gift exchange,
door prizes, and Christmas fun!!!!*

** please bring one gift if you wish to participate in the White Elephant
gift exchange. Gift should be approximately \$15-\$20.*

*RSVP by December 4th
Text or Call Gary Foster 706 255-3007
if you have previously signed up no need to RSVP unless your plans
change.*

Cost is \$30 per person. Please bring check or exact change. All
RSVP's MUST be in by December 4 to allow time for shopping/prep.

YOUR BUSINESS AD COULD
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See p.12 for details.



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Jeff and Cathy Wise

Paul and Sherry Martines
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DAYTONA BEACH SAIL & POWER SQUADRON

Beachcomber Advertising

January 2023 thru February 2025

Dear Advertiser,

50 % Discount

Our advertisers for the Daytona Beach Sail & Power Squadron's monthly publication, The Beachcomber, are important to us. Please won't you help? The following information includes the yearly rates (March 2023 thru February 2024) and a contract form for ads. All must be paid at time of contract. Make checks payable to the (DBSPS) Daytona Beach Sail & Power Squadron. Mail with contract to **Sharon Neitzey, 724 Central Park Blvd. Port Orange, FL 32127**. Please include your business card or camera-ready ad. We would like all contracts in as soon as possible.

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Signature: _____ **E-mail:** _____

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Check# _____ **Cash** _____ **Date** _____

Advertisement solicited by: (Member)

A NOTE TO OUR READERS...

As the editors of this newsletter,
we welcome your input on articles in the newsletter
or suggestions for materials that you would like to see included in
future issues.

This newsletter is one of the primary tools used by the squadron to
communicate with its members.

Please review the articles and meeting flyers included and join
us for classes and events announced.

Each of us can play an important role in the success of our squadron.
Please feel free to contact us or e-mail us.

Sharon Neitzey and Christine Zahornacky

sneitzey@aol.com gandczee@gmail.com



Please submit any information or photos for the January

Publication to us by December 26.

Send info to Sharon Neitzey and photos to Christine Zahornacky.

****Members please note that .pdf files submitted to the editors are
not grammatically correctable.*

*However, Microsoft Word and Publisher files are correctable.****

Photos should be in .jpeg format.



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VESSEL SAFETY CHECK (VSC)



A major component of a fun filled outing is a reliable boat which has all the necessary equipment operating properly. A free vessel safety check (VSC) is an important safe-guard, and our certified examiners will be happy to perform the check for you. There are no negative consequences if you don't pass. Our goal is simply to help make boating as safe as possible for you, your family and your friends, through education.

The United States Power Squadrons and the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary are partners in this valuable program offered to the boating public. All examiners are certified and trained on the latest requirements. The Vessel Safety Check is similar to the review that is performed by the U.S. Coast Guard if you are boarded, except that it is the results.

Our Vessel Safety Examiners will perform a 15 point safety check which includes:

Display of Numbers	Registration/Documentation	Visual Distress Signals (VDS)
Personal Flotation Devices (PFD)	Fire Extinguishers	Ventilation
Backfire Flame Control	Sound Producing Devices	Navigation Lights
Pollution Placard	MAR POL Track Placard	Marine Sanitation Devices
Navigation Rules	State and/or Local Requirements	Overall Vessel Condition

To schedule a Vessel Safety Exam, you may contact any of our Daytona Beach Squadron examiners in any of these area's:

Jeff Wise	386-299-4536	Daytona Beach
Paul Martines	386-451-4575	Daytona Beach / Holly Hill
Don Roman	386-453-6456	Ormond Beach / Daytona Beach
Will Benny	386-265-5180	New Smyrna Beach / Edgewater
Ron Radford	515-236-8206	Palm Coast / Flagler
Tim Henke	352-483-6000	Lake / Marion / Seminole Counties





Red Lobster



November dinner meeting



Daytona Beach Power Squadron Tentative 2023 Calendar of Events

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