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EVENTS CALENDER

FEBRUARY

- 9 Using VHF & VHF/DSC Marine Radio (9:00 am Senior Ctr)
- Monthly Dinner @ Alexander's Restaurant & Wine Bar, 6:30 pm, 76 Queens Folly Road, Hilton Head Island
- 18 Executive Committee Mtg (6:30 pm Senior Center)
- 23 Partner in Command (9:00 am Senior Center)

MARCH

- 4,7,11,14,18,21,25,28 Cruise & Cruise Planning (Mark Larson,Inst)
 ONE OF OUR BEST COURSES; DON'T MISS IT.
- 12 Monthly Dinner @ Poseidon Coastal Cuisine, 6:30 pm 38 Shelter Cove Lane, Hilton Head Island
- 16,23 America's Boating Course (Location TBD)
- 18 Executive Committee Mtg (6:30 pm Senior Center)
- 30 Tides and Currents (9:00 am Senior Center)

APRIL

- 8,11,15, Radar for Boaters (New Course) 6-9 pm, Senior Ctr
- 18,22,25,29 & May 2 Radar for Boaters
- 10 Magellan Buck Island Cruise, 10 am 3 pm)
- 13 How to Use a Chart (New & Revised) 9:00 am, Senior Ctr
- 15 Executive Committee Mtg (6:30 pm, Senior Center)
- 27 Basic Coastal Navigation (9:00 am, Senior Center)

Join us for a great dinner at Alexander's on February 12th - one of the great restaurants on Hilton Head Island – from 6:30-9:00 pm at 76 Queens Folly Road in Palmetto Dunes. Enjoy the evening with your fellow members and friends. Our menu for this event features the following for \$33 per person:

- Alexander's Garden Salad
- Baked Flounder Rockefeller
- Stuffed Chicken Breast
- Alexanders famous Wiener Schnitzel
- Dessert Chocolate Fudge Cake
- Coffee, Tea
- Cash Bar
- Gluten Free options available for any entrée above.

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MERIT MARKS 2017-2018 WATCH YEAR Commander Mark Larson



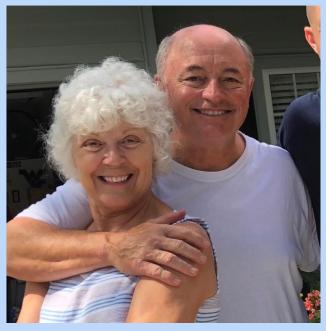
In the December issued we recognized those members who earned a Merit Mark for the 2017-2018 Watch Year. One of our instructors, Barry Moore, did indeed meet the requirements for a Merit Mark. Congratulations to Barry Moore for his achievements as one of our instructors; and thank you Barry for your contributions to our organization. We appreciate your volunteerism.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS ~ The Simpson's and The Webb's



John and Karen Simpson are pictured left on the shores of the Pacific in Cannon Beach, Oregon. They are from the Annapolis area in Maryland and joined America's Boating Club of Hilton Head to take advantage of our educational offerings. John is from Millersville and Karen is from Crofton. They reside on Hilton Head Island and retired here because they enjoy the area. John is retired from the Sherwin Williams Company where he was a Senior Vice-President of Sales for the Diversified Brands Retail Division. John and Karen are members of Freedom Boat Club.

They have limited boating experience from years back, but I sense they'd enjoy some of our Magellan Cruises. John and Karen's hobbies include golf, spinning, boating and skiing. They also enjoy reading and traveling, and Karen enjoys mahjong. Look for them at our February dinner meeting at Alexander's.



been here for 30 years. They are originally from southern West Virginia. Mike is a Manager of EPC Projects at Gexpro, which sells electrical supplies. They have two children and four grandchildren. Mike and Dotty joined Freedom Boat Club last summer; they are novices, who are looking forward to the learning experience. They took the America's Boating Course and found the information very engaging. They hope to gain understanding of the local waterways as members of our Club, and they also hope to meet new folks along the way. Their hobbies include golf, fishing, boating, and spending time with family and friends. They also enjoy traveling to new areas.

ABCHH 2019 Boating & Magellan Society Schedule

APRIL

Wednesday, April 10: Magellan 1: Buck Island

Saturday, April 27: MCAS Air Show with the Blue Angels

MAY

Monday, May 6: Savannah Yacht Club

Tuesday, May 9: Magellan 2: Pinckney Island Tuesday, May 21: AJ's at Tybee Light Island

JUNE

Tuesday, June 4: Ossebaw, GA Nature cruise, all-day cruise

Thursday, June 6: Magellan 3: Bull Island

Thursday, June 20: Fripp Island

JULY

Saturday, July 6: Magellan Makeup Cruise

Monday, July 8: Boys & Girls Club / Harbour Town

Wednesday, July 17: Savannah Downtown dock Sunday,

July 21: Magellan 4: Page & Pine Islands

AUGUST

Saturday, August 3: Magellan 5: Daufuskie Island

Thursday, August 8: Beaufort new City dock

Monday, August 26: Red Neck Rivera Beach Picnic

SEPTEMBER

Wednesday, September 4: Magellan 6: Hilton Head Island

Friday, September 6: Flying Fish / Bull River Marina Savannah

Saturday, September 28: New River Nature Cruise

OCTOBER

Saturday, October 5: Magellan Fall Make Up Cruise Tuesday, October 15: Oyster Roast at Colleton River

NOVEMBER

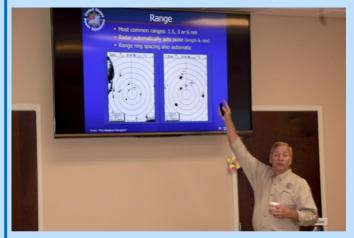
Friday, November 1: May River / Dispensary lunch LAND & SEA Cruise

Education News from Peter Dion, Education Officer

The following people attended the "How to Use a Chart" seminar: Paul Anderson, Teresa Carroll, Leighs Church, Sharon Church, John Cunningham, Peter Dion, Larry Jones, Larry Mittelman, Michael Scholtz, Norm Shotz, Paul Smoke, and Dennis Trantum.



Eighteen people participated in the Marine Radar seminar on Saturday, January 19. They were Dean Castor, Mark Larson, Cal Navis, Peter Carlson, Suzanne Stansbury, Mary Richardson, Hal Wilson, Bill Haverland, Terry Baehr, Michael Peck, Rick Anderson, Tom Ryley, Leighs Church, Sharon Church, Peter Dion, and instructor Cecil Viverette.







Cecil Viverette instructs the marine radar seminar.

Congratulations to Mark Carroll, John Thompson, Lynne Harris, and Tom Ryley for successfully completing the Piloting course.

Next seminar: Using VHF/DSC Marine Radio, Larry Tremitiere, Instructor.

Education Calendar

Courses 2019

Cruising and Cruise Planning

March 4, 7, 11, 14, 18, 21, 25, and 28



Peter J. Dion Education Officer

America's Boating Course (ABC)

March 16, 23 October 19, 26

Seamanship

May 6, 9, 13, 16, 20, and 23 November 4, 7, 11, 14, 18, and 21

Advanced Piloting

May 30, June 3, 6, 10, 13, 17, 20, 24, 27, and July 1

Radar for Boaters (New Course)

April 8, 11, 15, 18, 22, 25, 29, and May 2

Instructor Development

TBD

Electronic Navigation (ME 103)

October 3, 7, 10, 14,17, 21, 24, and 28

Courses scheduled as needed:

Piloting
Junior Navigation
Navigation
Sail
Engine Maintenance
Marine Electrical Systems (ME 101)
Marine Communication Systems (ME102)

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America's Boating Club of Hilton Head

Education Calendar

Seminars 2019

FEBRUARY

- 9 Using VHF & VHF/DSC Marine Radio (9:00am Senior Center)
- 23 Partner In Command (9:00am Senior Center)

MARCH

30 Tides and Currents (9:00am Senior Center)

APRIL

- 13 How to Use a Chart (New and Revised!) (9:00am Senior Center)
- 27 Basic Coastal Navigation (9:00am Senior Center)

MAY

- 4 Boat Handling Under Power (OTW, 9:00am, Skull Creek Marina)
- 18 Mastering Rules of the Road (9:00am Senior Center)

JUNE

- 8 Using GPS (9:00am Boathouse Showroom)
- 22 Emergencies on Board (9:00am Senior Center)

JULY (No Seminars)

AUGUST

10 Hurricane Preparation for Boaters (9:00am Senior Center)

SEPTEMBER

21 Anchoring (9:00am Senior Center)

OCTOBER

12 Basic Weather and Forecasting (9:00am Senior Center)

NOVEMBER

9 TBD (9:00am Senior Center)

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America's Boating Club of Hilton Head

IN CASE YOU MISSED OUR NEW MEMBERS IN THE DECEMBER OCEAN BREEZE...PLEASE WELCOME



Chris and Cathy Brigham. They reside on Hilton Head (three years) and moved here to be closer to family. They're originally from Maine but most recently from Hawaii. Chris is a physician who writes, speaks and consults. Decades ago he wrote medical articles for Sail, Cruising World and Practical Sailing. Cathy is a retired registered nurse and currently volunteers at Volunteers in Medicine. We know who to call in case of an emergency while boating!!! Chris and Cathy have three daughters and four grandchildren. Chris enjoys biking, sailing, kayaking and travel. Cathy enjoys sailing, tennis and crafts. Chris took ABC in October and they joined our club as a result. They hope to connect with the local boating community and enhance their boating skills while making new friends; Chris would like to get his captain's license. Pictured below is their 34' sailboat named Applewine, which is currently up in Maine. They hope to sail it down to Hilton Head next fall, although Chris is thinking about getting a trawler. He has over fifty years of boating experience.





John Eddy (pictured right) has been a resident of Hilton Head for eleven years. He is from Denver, Colorado and is a member of Freedom Boat Club. He admits he doesn't have much boating experience, but he joined our club to gain more experience in boating and to meet new friends. John currently works for Segway Tour Guide, but he has previous work experience in education, event management and sales. His hobbies include traveling, reading, and volunteer work. John has two daughters aged 34 and 30 respectively. He wants to become a better boater and hopes to meet new friends as a member of ABCHH.



Mark and Nancy Hente attended the December holiday dinner at Indigo Run where they were introduced as new members. They reside on Hilton Head and moved here from Columbus, Ohio. They have two children and one grandson. Mark is currently a part-time consultant and Nancy is retired at the moment. Previously, Mark was a corporate pilot and Nancy was a realtor. Their boating experience has been with ski boats and sail boats on inland lakes. Mark and Nancy both enjoy boating, biking, hiking, travel, and outdoor activities. His interests are golf, painting, drawing, woodworking and reading. Nancy interests are yoga, exercise, reading and crafting. They would eventually like to become members of Freedom Boat Club and joined our club to meet people that like to boat and to learn more about boating in the Low Country.

Please meet Brad and Amy Loescher who vacationed here for the last 15 years and currently live on Hilton Head. Brad is originally from Wisconsin, but



spent the last 20 years in the Philadelphia area. He is retired and ran a marketing department for an insurance company. He is new to boating and joined Freedom Boat Club in June '18. His hobbies are swimming, running, and gardening. He's looking

forward to learning the game of golf and wants to fish. He joined our club to increase his boating knowledge and skills and to meet other boaters. He took our recent ABC course in October and looks forward to taking more courses and seminars. He and Amy also hope to go boating with other members.



Michael Peck has a second home in Sea Pines on Hilton Head Island for 16 years. He is from Erie, Pennsylvania and has two children and seven grandchildren. Michael has a Boston Whaler that he's owned for years and keeps at South Beach. He works a great deal, but he does take time to play golf while maintaining his farm in Pennsylvania. Michael wants to get proficient in small boat handling and navigation. He wants to get a better skill set on operating a small boat down here where our tides and currents can be challenging for any boater. Michael looks forward to spending time here between mid-January and mid-April 2019.





Although we don't have a photograph of Timothy and Rose Rivers, we want to welcome them as new members. They are retired and reside on Daufuskie Island. They've been here six years and are from Basking Ridge, New Jersey. Tim was an insurance broker and underwriter. They have two children and four grandchildren. Tim and Rose are members of Freedom Boat Club and have limited boating experience. They enjoy traveling, golf and reading. Tim enjoys history and investing. They joined our club to improve their boating skills and to meet new people from Hilton Head and Bluffton. If you're ever heading to Daufuskie Island, reach out to them and have lunch together at the Daufuskie Crab Company. It's a great lunch destination.



Please join me in welcoming Tom and Debbie Tremain. Originally from St. Louis, Missouri, the Tremain's moved from Wichita, Kansas and have lived on Hilton Head for three years. Tom and Debbie relocated due to his employment with Gulf Stream where he is an engineer. Debbie is a speech-language pathologist. The Tremain's have a 25' Morgan Sunfish named "Legacy" which is docked at Windmill Harbour. Debbie began sailing at age three and Tom has been sailing since 1985. They've sailed on rivers, lakes, and seas as well as chartered. They're combined hobbies include traveling, gardening, reading and biking. Debbie's parents

were very involved with the United States Power Squadron. She and Tom have been familiar with the organization since the 70's and were cyber members prior to joining our club because they haven't had a local chapter until now. They joined ABCHH to be part of a like-minded community, to meet new people, and to have access to our resources from an educational standpoint. We look forward to their future participation in club events.

Each year the USPS Commnications Committee reviews publications and websites and considers organizations for the **Distinctive Communicator Award**. Criteria for this award is extensive and they are different for each category; publications and websites. Those districts and squadrons recognized in either or both categories reflect an effort that meets or exceeds these criteria and all members of each district and squadron who supported these efforts are to be congratulated for their work and dedication throughout the year. Their efforts not only serve to inform their membership but also other USPS members and, of course, members of the public. It goes without saying that every member of each district and squadron so recognized should feel proud of their organization's accomplishments. America's Boating Club of Hilton Head was awarded the 2018 Distinctive Communicator Award for both the newsletter and our website. The Ocean Breeze newsletter, Debbie Dion, Editor and our revamped website abchh.org was created by Paul Hoyte, Webmaster/Technology Officer. CONGRATULATIONS to Debbie and Paul.



