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Upcoming Events

November

- 16 - Change of Watch at Bonefish Grill

December

- 8 - Christmas Party at the Wilsdorf's Home

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Commander's Message



Cdr. Charles Wilsdorf,
SN-ON

Fellow club members, the time blur is almost here, the holidays. In fact, in so many ways, this entire year has been a blur. Our club has had many activities. Among them Peaches to Beaches, the Blackshear Weekend, the Dolphin Tour and Dinner, the Rum Tour and Dinner, club day cruises, dinner with the Seafarers, ship tours, three ABC classes, and some enjoyable club dinners combined has kept us busy and having fun; and you know the old saying, "time flies when you are having fun".

I challenge you all to make next year even better. Let us make sure we have the activities of this year, fulfill our obligation to District 26 to host the cruise and rendezvous, offer advanced and elective classes, have more club cruises, and most important, let us recruit a few more boaters that want to learn and have fun with us. I ask all of you to plan to devote just a little more time to our club to make it better and grow.

As you are aware, our thirteenth Change of Watch will be Friday, November 16. For our club, this event marks the end of this year and the start of the new club year dismissing our current bridge and the installation of the next year's bridge. I sure hope you plan to attend; our outgoing and incoming bridge really needs your support.

This will be our last Porthole of the year. Our next issue will be a December/January combined issue. Cathy Stortz deserves much credit and accolades for her many hours spent on this fine newsletter. Please, let her know if you have not already.

I hope to see you all at the Change of Watch and a few weeks later at the club's annual Christmas Party and Chinese Gift Exchange.

I wish you all a wonderful holiday season.

Chas



Cdr. Charles Wilsdorf, SN-ON and Clay Hoffman, Coordinator of Volunteer Services with the International Seafarers' Center at our October dinner.

Fall is a Great Time to be on the Water

Executive Officer
Ed Reynolds, S

Hello again fellow boaters! Due the busy upcoming holiday season, we will not attempt to organize another on the water event until next year. However, I hope you still plan to do some individual boating, as the weather is still wonderful.

Looking back on this year's on the water boating activities, I hope you had an opportunity to participate in at least one of these: Lake Blackshear weekend, Dolphin Cruise and Fancy Bluff Creek cruise. My goal is to provide even more on the water activities next year. Speaking of which, please mark your calendars for May 17-19, 2019, as we will be hosting the District 26 Rendezvous. This will be a fun weekend of socializing both on the water and off with our own members as well as members from different squadrons. As you can imagine, this event will require a lot of effort to plan and conduct so please be willing to participate in the organizing effort.

Finally, as you attend various holiday parties and events this season, please use these opportunities to tell your friends about our Squadron.

See you on the water!

Ed Reynolds
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Squadron Education Officer Report

My two years as SEO is coming to an end.

The squadron has held four ABC classes the last two years and one seamanship class.

I thank the instructors Vicky, Charles, Mike, Tim and class helpers Sharon, Rick, and Ed, your help was appreciated.

THANKS

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Squadron Administrative Officer Report



Administrative Officer
Rick Hindery, P

Sometimes I think how easy things would have been if I had come from a boating family. I've listened to a lot of your stories and I know that we would be so much farther along if I learned to tie knots from my grandfather when I was five or discovered how steer a vessel playing in my wagon on my family's drive way when I was six.

Right now we are keeping the Hobie Cat so that Audrey and Emmy, our granddaughters can experience sailing from East Beach to the King and Prince and back and if they so choose fall in love with the sea.

We got to the party late but we got to the party.

Every year that we have been a part of America's Boating Club we have had wonderful magic moments.

We have sailed to Amelia Island; discovered the joy of boating, the back waters of our coastal waterways; we have been guests on tall ships, research vessels and ocean going freighters.

We have touched lives. Boating is safer in the Golden Isles because you have performed vessel safety checks and educated newcomers to boating. Strangers to our shores have been welcomed, people with causes have been given a forum and an opportunity to inform.

We have touched each other's lives. We have gathered around tables and laughed and we have helped each other in moments of pain.

Great things are around the corner. Our new year will bring new adventures. There will be beautiful days ahead and we will only be limited if we choose not to weigh anchor.

So as I've asked before.....what is fun for you....what is the next adventure that you want. You must have a dream for a dream to come true.

Treasurer's Report



Treasurer Teresa
Wilsdorf, S

The Squadron has a bank balance of \$5,880.82.

I am not sure when you will receive this Porthole, but if you get it prior to Wednesday, November 14th, I would love for you to call, text, or email me that you do plan to attend the COW at Bonefish Grill. Everyone is responsible for their own dinner and drinks and the Squadron will furnish the appetizers. We are looking forward to a good time so please join us!

Teresa

Secretary's Report

Margaret Butler, SN
Secretary

October 16, 2018 Excom Meeting

Cdr. Charles Wilsdorf, SN-ON called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm. Those present were Treasurer Teresa Wilsdorf, S; Vicky Jefferis, JN; Joe Stortz, AP; XO Ed Reynolds, S; Secretary Margaret Butler, SN; Bob Butler, SN; AO Rick Hindery, P; Sharon Hindery, AP; and "Porthole" Editor, Cathy Stortz, AP. Not present was SEO Paul Truelove, SN.

Teresa and Sharon reported that we can now pay for classes and other items by credit card through PayPal on our website. Also, we can pay by cash or check.

Cathy asked if we should print a disclaimer on free advertising by Freedom Boat Club in our "Porthole." Vicky will look at other squadron's newsletters to see what is normally done. Freedom Boat Club will give Ed a finder's fee if the ad results in new members for them. Ed would turn that fee over to the Club.

Margaret reported that most of the clubs are applying to their states for a Service Mark designation – America's Boating Club. This application is easy to do.

We discussed a venue for the Christmas Party on December 8. We decided that, since the COW would be a sit-down dinner, we would prefer to have appetizers and drinks provided by the attendees and our usual gift exchange. Teresa and Charles will host the party.

The committee agreed to pay up to \$300 for appetizers for the COW, which is on November 16 at Bonefish Grill.

Sharon will order lunch for the ABC class on Saturday. As of now, six people are signed up for the class.

Our Club will host the D26 Cruise and Rendezvous on May 17 – 19, 2019. We need a leader for this event who will line up volunteers for the various committees needed. We need to plan a boating activity for Saturday. We will be able to rent two rooms at La Quinta – one for hospitality and one for the silent auction. For planning purposes, we can estimate 30 people to attend.

St Mark's Episcopal Church ladies would love to cater a meal for the Rendezvous. It would be at their church and we can serve alcohol.

Bob suggested having a game night at the Rendezvous – with Lawn Dice, horse shoes and corn hole.

Vicky will announce at Fall Conference, the date of the Rendezvous, the lodging facility and the marina involved.

Charles mentioned that we may lose two more members. He urged us to mention Club membership to anyone we can. Sharon will arrange to get a picture of the Club and guests at this evening's dinner and get it in the Brunswick News Publications.

Sharon made a motion to adjourn. Ed seconded. Motion passed.

The Club dinner followed immediately at the International Seafarer's Center on Newcastle Street. We were joined by eleven crew members of the Star Isfjord and ISC Volunteer Coordinator, Clay Hoffman. Charles welcomed our guests.

Past-Commanders Sharon and Vicky were recognized.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as published in the "Porthole."

Vicky presented the slate of officers from the nominating committee. This slate had been published earlier by the Secretary. There were no nominations from the floor. Cathy made a motion and Teresa seconded to accept the slate. Motion passed.

Sharon made a motion to adjourn. Cathy seconded. Motion passed.

District 26 2019 Cruise and Rendezvous

P/C Vicky Jefferis, JN

District 26 2019 Cruise & Rendezvous (C & R)

May 17 – 19, 2019

Many of you have begun to hear about the 2019 Cruise and Rendezvous that our Club will be hosting and you're no doubt wondering what this is all about. In a nutshell – Fun and fellowship! The Cruise & Rendezvous (C&R) is intended to celebrate boating and the summer boating season. This is a fun, casual event to celebrate the summer and the boating season, very similar to a Club on the water activity. There is a big difference, though, because it involves boaters from all the clubs in District 26. We invite members from all across South Carolina and Coastal Georgia to come join us to have fun on our local waters. Since our guests come from afar, the event lasts for more than just a day - it will take place May 17 – 19, 2019. As good hosts, we plan entertainment as well as a fun day on the water, marinas and lodging for participants, also meals and dining options.

For those of you who've been around when we hosted a Spring or Fall Conference, you no doubt remember there's a lot of work involved. Fortunately, a Cruise & Rendezvous is far less structured and isn't quite as involved, but there will still be work involved to plan and deliver a fun time for everyone. Instead of planning for seminars and programs, we need to decide where we'll go for our boating activity, what kind of meals we'll offer (and where), what, if any, entertainment we'll provide, and what kind of fundraisers we'll need to make money to cover costs. In order for this to be a success, we'll need help from all of you, both in planning and executing the event. Please plan to offer your time and talent when you're asked to help out!

CoastFest Art Contest Winner

P/C Sharon Hindery, AP

Thanks to everyone who participated at CoastFest this year. The move to Mary Ross Park was well received. The Kids art contest this year was set up in the Pavilion at the North West corner of the park. Our winner this year of the "Picture Perfect Boating Award" was presented to Erin Plomodon of Heritage Christian Academy. Last week I had the honor of personally presenting on behalf of America's Boating Club, Golden Isles, the award certificate and Target Gift card to this young artist at their weekly chapel. I hope to include her picture in a future Porthole edition.



Winner of our "Picture Perfect Boating Award" for the CoastFest Art Contest was presented to Erin Plomodon of Heritage Christian Academy.

CoastFest at Mary Ross Park

CoastFest 2018 was held on October 6 at the new Mary Ross Park location. It was a huge success with more than 9,400 visitors! Club members Charles Wilsdorf, Rick and Sharon Hindery, Ed Reynolds, Vicky Jefferis, David Jones, Stephanie Kraus-Jones, Terry Osman, Sharree Lott, Chri Gray, Joe and Cathy Stortz helped at our booth. We got 8 sign ups for our next ABC class. Good job gang!



Cdr. Charles Wilsdorf, SN-ON instructs a young man on the USPS® boat simulator.

Photo by Terry Osman, P



Booth workers Terry Osman, P and Charles Wilsdorf, SN-ON talk about our club with a visitor.

Photo by Cathy Stortz, AP

Joe Stortz, AP tries out the boat simulator as Sharon Hindery, AP looks on.

Photo by Cathy Stortz, AP



October's Dinner Meeting at International Seafarers' Center (ISC)

P/C Sharon Hindery, AP

Ah, the stars did align and our Ship did come in. The events of the evening of our October Club dinner came off without a hitch. With the help of the International Seafarer's staff, we were able to host as our guests, Captain Gregg of the *Star Isfjord*, and 10 of his officers and Crew for a fried chicken & fixins dinner and an evening of conversation. We learned a little about the life and hardships of living and working aboard a bulk carrier ship. We take for granted that most everything we buy likely has made it to our lives aboard a ship, by RoRo, Container, or Bulk. These men (and an occasional woman) sacrifice their personal family lives to transport goods across the sometimes-violent sea.

We found this all Filipino crew's company very interesting, and entertaining. There was even a demonstration of some real musical talent as several gathered around the piano for some wonderful inspirational songs! There was so much positive energy in the room that Clay Hoffman, the new Volunteer Coordinator for the ISC thinks that this type of event should be repeated with other community groups!

As the dinner wound down, six of our members packed up the remaining chicken and sides for the crew who could not attend our meeting. We then climbed in to the Van and headed out to Mayor's Point Terminal, where the *Star Isfjord* was docked. After clearing security, the Captain, his first Engineer and an Ordinary Seaman, honored us with a guided and detailed tour of the ship. First we had to climb several stair ladders to get to the Bridge- no elevators here! Once on the Bridge, we were shown their nautical instruments- high tech radar & charts, all electronic and redundant with separate servers controlling each for digital security. In the ship's office/ control room there is video monitoring and control of the Engine room far below. We then moved on to view the Crew and Officer's mess, galley, laundry. They have a crew salon with a large screen TV and musical instruments for the crew. A spare cabin is set up as an exercise room with treadmill. Our guide described how the room would be set up as a crewmember's cabin; imagine a large but private dorm room. They even have a real nice miniature indoor basketball court where they have crew competitions! Down, down we then went to the engine room, loud (Chief engineer gave us earplugs) and HOT- about 120degrees hot! He did spend a few moments answering questions from our members before we headed back up the stairs to the relative coolness of the main deck.

As we left the ship, I was walking with a young seafarer. I asked him what his position was on the ship. His answer was "Ordinary Seaman". I noted that meant he did a lot of the physical work on the ship and there was NOTHING ordinary about it! We walked on out to the cars to get the food for the rest of the crew, and he offered that the night and our dinner & visit was very special... I told him we thought so too!



Dinner with the crew of the *M/V Star Isfjord* at the ISC in October. America's Boating Club Golden Isles members from left: Mary Gray, P seated at table in foreground, Vicky Jefferis, JN and Tim Lahrs, S standing at right.



The *M/V Star Isfjord* Captain, his first Engineer and an "Ordinary Seaman" provided a tour of their ship.

Both pictures provided by Sharon Hindery, AP.

Additional Pictures from Club Dinner and Ship Boarding



ABOVE: One final picture at the International Seafarers' Center after dinner and before the ship's tour began.

BELOW: From left, Vicky Jefferis, JN; Cindy Simpson, Ed Reynolds, S; Sharon Hindery, AP; Rick Hindery, P; and Tim Lahrs, S onboard the *M/V Star Isfjord*.

Both pictures provided by Sharon Hindery, AP.



Visit our Facebook page for more pictures of this event. Click on this link https://www.facebook.com/pg/GISPS/posts/?ref=page_internal

D26 Fall Conference and Change of Watch Oct. 19 – 21, 2018

P/C Vicky Jefferis, JN

The District 26 Fall Conference and Change of Watch, hosted by Thurman Lake Sail & Power Squadron was held Oct. 19-21 near McCormick, SC. Conference activities were conducted at the Savannah Lakes Village Recreation Center and attendees stayed at the Hickory Knob State Park lodging facilities.

A number of interesting presentations were offered to participants by the S. Carolina DNR , Coast Guard Auxiliary and McCormick, SC tourism officials. Additionally, various power squadron members held seminars regarding Membership Involvement, Educational Updates, getting the most from DB2000, and more.

Upcoming D26 Events are:

2019 Spring Conference hosted by Long Bay S&PS at the Myrtle Beach, SC Crown Reef Resort

2019 Cruise and Rendezvous hosted by Golden Isles S&PS at Brunswick Landing Marina

2019 Fall Conference hosted by Tybee Light S&PS

Detailed information is on the D26 Website

Information of particular interest to Golden Isles members:

NO dues increase by United States Power Squadrons for 2019

Our website needs to be kept current because the USPS website contains links to local sites

Don't change our Official Name (Golden Isles Sail & Power Sqd) in official documents and By-Laws even though we are adopting the America's Boating Club Golden Isles service name.

District 26 has adopted the service name America's Boating Club of South Carolina and Coastal Georgia District 26

To make District Events more appealing, D26 is establishing a Planning Committee consisting of one member from each squadron to develop a new approach. It will drop the Spring Conference by doing business electronically, hold a Fall Conference with no Council meeting, and enhance the Spring Cruise & Rendezvous (D26 will plan and multiple squadrons may host). Major changes will be implemented in 2020 at earliest.

Newly Elected 2018 – 2019 District Bridge

Commander, Jim Wilkins, AP

Executive Officer, George Theriault, AP

Educational Officer, Jack McKinnon, SN

Administrative Officer, Sharon Payne, JN

Secretary, Devon Callahan, S

Treasurer, Barbara Sommers, P

Assistant Educational Officer Charles Gresham, SN

**2019 Golden Isles Sail and Power Squadron
Bridge Officers and Elected Committee Members**

COMMANDER

Charles Wilsdorf, SN-ON

EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Ed Reynolds, S

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Terry Osman, P

EDUCATIONAL OFFICER

Mike Moye, N

SECRETARY

Sharon Hindery, AP

TREASURER

Teresa Wilsdorf, S

MEMBERS AT LARGE

Bob Butler, SN

AUDIT COMMITTEE

Margaret Butler, SN

Vicky Jefferis, JN

Vicky Jefferis, JN

Richard Jones, AP

One Vacancy

RULES COMMITTEE

Mike Moye, N

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Vicky Jefferis, JN

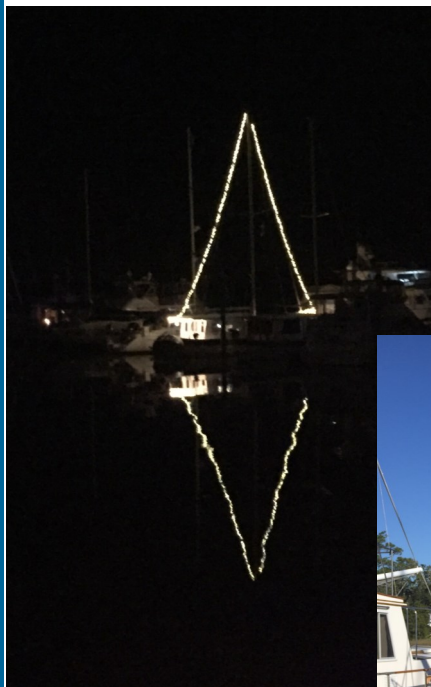
Two Vacancies

Sharon Hindery, AP



ATTENTION

Attend the Change of Watch on Nov 16 to see the new Bridge members installed. RSVP to Teresa Wilsdorf by Nov 14!



A few pictures of decorated boats at the Jekyll Harbor Marina from last year.

All photos provided by Paul Truelove, SN.



America's Boating Club of Golden Isles Calendar Nov & Dec 2018

November

16 - Change of Watch at Bonefish Grill on St. Simons Island. Please RSVP to Teresa Wilsdorf, S

December

8 - Christmas Party at Wilsdorf's Home



To our members in November and December.

November

Sara Grimshaw

Coy Hodges

Mary Gray

Mike Leben

Cathy Stortz

December

Karla Lahrs

William Bartlett

Sharon Hindery

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