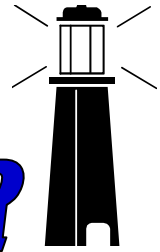




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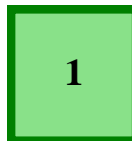


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Cdr Mark Rosen taking oath of office and installing officer, D/C Peter Mitchelson, SN



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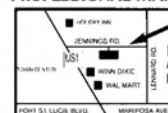
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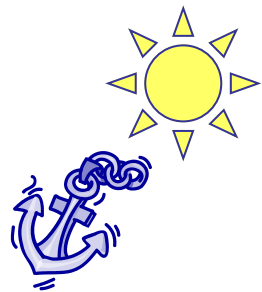
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## PECKS LAKE RAFT UP



23 JANUARY 2008

**Contact Don Widmayer at 359-2132 for details of our BOATING ACTIVITIES.**

**Full Moon Raft Up**  
Friday, 21 March

**Blessing of the Fleet**  
Saturday, 12 April



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Mark Rosen



I want to thank everyone who helped make our Change of Watch so special. It was extremely well organized and I am sure every one had a great time. I want to thank the members of the bridge who stayed on to assist in reaching our goals this year. In March we have several events planned, the Kissimmee River trip on 1 March, a Boat Smart® class on 15 and 16 March and a Full Moon raft up on 21 March. Our executive committee meeting is 12 March. Any member who would like to attend is welcome. Contact Ann Boeckler. The general meeting is on 26 March.

In April we have our Clam Bake on 5 April, the Blessing of the Fleet on 12 April and the district conference in Ft. Lauderdale the weekend of 25-27 April. The executive committee meeting will be on 9 April with the general meeting on 23 April.

I want to thank Malischka Dunlap for stepping up and temporarily filling our vacant Executive Officer position. Malischka is also serving on the district bridge. Any member who has an interest in filling this position on a permanent basis so Malischka can concentrate on her district duties, please let me know.

### Now for the trivia quiz questions of the day.

- The Coast Guard broadcasts routine weather reports on channels:
  - 13 or 14
  - 16 or 17
  - 21A or 22A
  - 44 or 45
- Weather observations made by each weather station include all except:
  - Temperature
  - Visibility
  - Predicted weather for next 12 hours
  - Barometric pressure and change in the last 3 hours

Answers in the next issue of the Channel Marker

## Education News By Lt/C Al Bruhin, SN

We just completed the Change of Watch and it looks like we are going to have another great year. There are a lot of activities planned and many opportunities to increase our knowledge.

First we are planning a Seamanship course to be taught by P/C Don Widmayer, Jr., AP. Don is a well experienced boater and has a lot to offer the students of the course. Since he is a Sail Boater he has a far above average knowledge of Marlinspike that should be very interesting. If you are interested in taking this course please contact Don by e-mail at [Don@split-decision.us](mailto:Don@split-decision.us) or by phone at 772-359-2132.

We are also planning an Advanced Piloting course to be taught by 1/Lt George Hehner, JN. George is also a very experienced boater and has been an instructor for many courses over the years. His knowledge of tides and currents should be invaluable to the students. So far we have two students signed up and are looking for one or two more. Contact George by email at [Uhehner@aol.com](mailto:Uhehner@aol.com) or by phone at 772-879-7919.

Those of us who teach the BoatSmart® course know what a great pleasure it is. If you would like to get in on the fun plan to take the Instructor Development course that we are planning. This will be taught by D/Lt/C Malischka Dunlap, AP. Contact Malischka by email at [Malischka@aol.com](mailto:Malischka@aol.com) or by phone at 772-344-8227. The next BoatSmart classes are scheduled for 15/16 March and 17/18 May. We are looking for instructors for the March class.



There are two USPS University seminars being featured at the Dallas Annual Meeting, these being "Trailing Your Boat" and "Paddle Smart". Both seminars are about to be released and made available to all squadrons.

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Conference which will be held 25-27 April in Ft. Lauderdale at the Ft. Lauderdale Marriot. A lot of interesting sessions are being planned and it is an opportunity to see what other squadrons are doing and meet other members of the district. On Saturday morning at 0800 the Education Department will present the í C b V c U f X · K Y U h \ Y f · : c f Y W U g h ] b [ í · g Y a ] b  
useful even for non boaters giving the student the tools to forecast what conditions are to be expected locally. We hope to see you there.

If you have any questions on any education material or subject feel free to contact me. There are a lot of opportunities available.

# March 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 0800 Kissimmee River Trip
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12 1900 Exec Com Meeting	13	14	15 BOAT SMART
16 BOAT SMART	17 	18	19	20 1800 GPS Seminar	21 1600 Full Moon Raft Up	22
23 	24	25	26 1800 Dinner & Gen Mtg	27	28	29
30	31					

# April 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5 1500 CLAM BAKE
6	7	8	9 1900 Exec Com Meeting	10	11	12 Blessing of the Fleet
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23 1800 Dinner & Gen Mtg	24	25 D/8 Spring Conf.	26 Conference Ft. Lauderdale
27 D/8 Spring Conf.	28	29	30			

## Kissimmee River Trip



Join us on a pontoon boat cruise of the Kissimmee River on Saturday, 1 March. The boat captain will be our own P/C Ken Mazur, P. Meet at 0800 at the First Presbyterian Church of Port St. Lucie, 2240 SE Walton Road in Port St. Lucie. Some carpooling can be arranged for the drive to Riverwoods.

Riverwoods website <http://riverwoods.ces.fau.edu>

Cost \$25 per person.

Call Cdr Mark Rosen at 772 340-7440 to reserve your seat.  
Friends and Neighbors are invited. Limited to 20 people.

3rd ANNUAL

## CLAM BAKE

Saturday, 5 April 2008

Time - 1500 (3pm)

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6130 NW Duke Circle, Port St. Lucie

Menu

Steamed Clams Clam Chowder

Linguini with Clam Sauce

Sides, Desserts, Soft Drinks, Beer and Wine

Hot dogs & hamburgers available  
for non clam lovers

Cost \$15 per person

BYOL (bring your own liquor)

Reservation Deadline - Saturday, 29 March 2008

For reservations or more information contact Lt/C Ann Boeckler at (772) 3358011 or mail checks payable to Port St. Lucie Power Squadron to Ann Boeckler, 1491 SE Prestwick Ln., Port St. Lucie, FL 34952.

## Christmas Party

Squadron members enjoy the catered buffet dinner at the home of Lt/C Ann Boeckler, S on 1 December 2007.



Andy Dunlap and Jann Widmayer



Joe Clemente, Ray Clarke and Walt VanEtten

## Welcome Aboard

**New Members**

**Daniel Buck**

**Diane Di Maio**

**Joyce Fletcher-Menard**

**Philip Menard**

**Martin Quante**

George Hehner -  
Contribution to  
Education Award



Mark Rosen - Member of the Year Award



Marlene Herbig -  
Award

Don Widmayer with P/C flag and plaque



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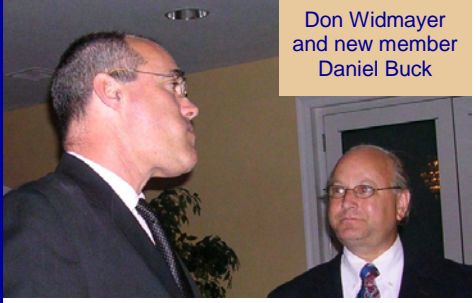
# CHANGE OF WATCH

Al Bruhin and  
Jann Widmayer

Pat Bruhin and Joan Konight



Don Widmayer  
and new member  
Daniel Buck



Lt/C Ann Boeckler with Sebastian members John  
Burns, Lynette Werner and D/C Peter Mitchelson



New member  
Diane Di Maio  
and Andy Dunlap

George and  
Ursula Hehner



Outgoing Bridge Officers



Doris Marsh, Ken Mazur, Walt VanEtten, Don  
Marsh and Dick Roehrig