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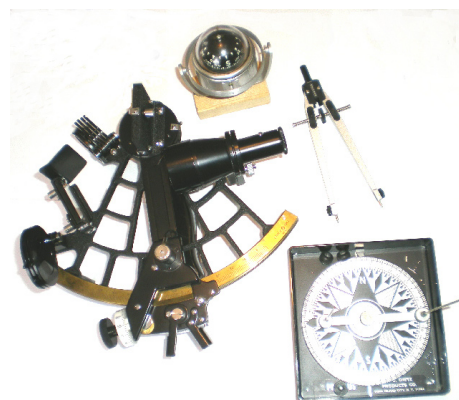
# Ann Arbor Sail and Power Squadron

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**Ann Arbor Sail and Power Squadron  
Meeting 6 P. M. Wednesday 30 Jan. 2019  
Carlyle Grill 3660 Jackson Rd.  
Ann Arbor Michigan 48103  
Lat. 42° 17.1' N, Long. 83° 48.2' W**

Sail and Power Boating Education

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We will meet at the Carlyle Grill west of the Lighthouse Car Wash. Order from the menu and pay your own bill. Please call Ron Schwartz 734-769-3476, so we can have enough tables set up. Visit Carlyle Grill web site to see their menu. <http://www.carlylegrill.com/>



D/Lt/C Dave Kowalski, SN



Carlyle Grill

**Change of Watch will be administered by  
District D9 Education Officer D/Lt/C Dave Kowalski, SN**

**2019 Nominations**

**Commander:**

**Cdr. Ron Schwartz, SN**

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**Lt/C Peggy Moller**

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**Secretary:**

**Lt/C John Barr, Jr.**

**Squadron Education Officer:**

**Cdr. Ron Schwartz, SN**

**Public Relations Officer:**

**P/C John Barr, AP**

If time permits, Ron will present the story of the passenger ships *Stockholm* colliding with and sinking the *Andrea Doria* south of Nantucket Island, Massachusetts at midnight, July 25, 1956. 51 people died. Fog was involved.





## Commander's Message

Cdr. Ron Schwartz, SN



We thank all the officers of AASPS for their volunteer work last year. We all got merit marks. Marlene and John Barr. Jr., John Barr Sr. AP, Jeannine and Bob Buchanan, P, Peggy Moller, Larry Marentette, S, and Sharon and Art Pinsak, SN and I.

Congratulations to Peggy and Freddy! We got a Distinctive Communications Award for our web site and our newsletter for 2018.

USPS has traditionally designed boating courses for large boats on coastal waters and the Great Lakes. USPS wants us to expand our membership to boaters on small lakes and rivers with paddle craft such as canoes, kayaks and boards. We did that last August with a rendezvous on Halfmoon chain of small lakes with 6 people on kayaks canoes. We had fun and will try it again in 2019.

**Our 2018 Christmas Party** was fun with good food and music. We all had a good time at the Buchanan's home -- thank you very much to Bob and Jeannine -- our marvelous hosts.

Escape the snow and ice and go to the National USPS meeting in Orlando, FL 18 Feb-24 Feb, 2019  
For more info: [https://www.usps.org/php/reservations\\_new/meetings.php?mtg\\_id=22](https://www.usps.org/php/reservations_new/meetings.php?mtg_id=22)



Rosen Center  
This is the main  
meeting Hotel  
9840 International  
Drive  
Orlando FL

# Boating Education

**Boating Course interest seems to be increasing.** We have 3 people interested in our spring ABC course and 2 interested in an advanced piloting course. All USPS courses are advertised, at <http://www.usps.org/cgi-bin/nat/eddept/800/cfindx.cgi?C>

I get great pleasure out of using OpenCPN to view NOAA charts, and VPP2 to view ocean cruising routes and winds and currents and sailing times when reading about people cruising. Those digital programs are taught in our ABC and Navigation courses.



P/C Bob Buchanan, P proctoring our 2018 fall ABC class

## A Partial List of Events

DATE	SPONSOR	EVENT AND LOCATION
Jan. 11-19	Detroit Boat Show .....	Cobo Hall
Jan. 21	AASPS	Change of Watch Meeting at Carlyle Grill 6 PM