



Meeting was called to order by Flotilla Commander Bob Van Herpe at 7:00. The meeting was preceded by a pot luck supper.

**Members present:** There was a quorum present. Roz Butziger, Nick Butziger, Norm Caron, Karen Caron, Garth Dudley, Rob Rosera, Glenn Rosera, Maureen Van Herpe, Bob Van Herpe, Debbie Pass, Tom Wilcox, Charles Jenison, Gary Davis, Elizabeth Davis, Mike Quinn, Don Anderson, Debra Anderson.

**Guests present:** Kathryn Quinn, Stephen Quinn

Pledge of Allegiance & Moment of Silence for departed members.

Secretary Report: Minutes of the April 11, 2013 meeting accepted as e-mailed.

Treasurer's Report: Accepted as presented.

(FC) Flotilla Commander's Report: **Awards presented to:**

**Gary Davis** - 5 years of dedicated service - US Coast Guard Auxiliary

**Norm and Karen Caron** - Completion of Vessel Examiner Course

**Bob Van Herpe** - Coast Guard Sustained Auxiliary Service Award for Superior Performance of Duty

(VFC) Vice Flotilla Commander's Report:

Staff Reports:

(PE) Public Education: There is ongoing Navigation courses currently taking place at flotilla headquarters. Summer PEC course starts June 3 and will run Monday & Thursday nights through June. Joe St. Jean and Dick Boldt will teach this class again this year. Paddle Smart is taught by auxiliaries and no special qualification is necessary to teach this class.

See Roz for power points. Roz made a motion to buy a case of paddle smart text books. Maureen Van Herpe seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Public Affairs: Please mark your calendars for these upcoming events:

Memorial Day weekend (Sat - Mon) Rendezvous @ Potters Cove

June 23 - members cookout to be followed by flotilla meeting (this is VE Sunday)

July - PawSox game on a weeknight - Maureen is going to check dates and let us know.

(VE) Vessel Examination: Derrick reported 15 VE's completed to date. VE day is Sunday June 23 from 10:00 - 4:00. A cookout for members to follow @ 4:30. Monthly meeting will follow the cookout.

(PV) Marine Dealer Visitation: No Report

(OP) Operations: If anyone wants to get involved in crew training- see Nick. Save June 15 (Castle Hill Station) & June 22 (PT. Judith Station) for crew training. There will be shore side activities for both beginners and more experienced people. Please fill out the questionnaire that Nick handed out tonight so that the programs can be tailored to what you want to learn/review. **PLEASE RETURN THE COMPLETED QUESTIONNAIRES TO NICK BY 5/12.**

(MS) Marine Safety: This is the time of year when we do lots of vessel safety checks. Materials are at headquarters to make up packets. See Gary Davis or Mike Quinn for these packets.

Communications: See Bob Van Herpe if you need a hand held radio. He has found a really great deal from GPS store (HX851)

Membership Training: Nick reported a successful general training held Thursday May 2. See Nick for the dates of the next general training.

(CS) Communications: website is up to date - check it out. [www.northstarflotilla.com](http://www.northstarflotilla.com)

Navigation Services: Mike continues to work on chart updates - some of these will take place on Saturdays during the day. All chart updates Mike has done so far have been added to charts - **CONGRATULATIONS MIKE.** Bridges are all done except for Mt. Hope Bay. Paton will be starting in mid-June. Check website for WebEx schedule.

(MA) Materials / (IS) Information Systems: We have 765 hours of activity reported so far this year, BUT we are currently reporting 400 hours LESS than this time last year. Mike reminded everyone to fill out 7029 forms. This is extremely important because if our hours aren't logged, the government could make funding cuts to the Auxiliary. Also, please don't forget about filling out the 7028 & 7030 forms. Mike did a review on how to access and complete 7029 forms. **Send him an e-mail with your hours and he will log them for you....just please make sure to get those hours logged.** Mike also has plenty of vessel safety checks if you need any.

Old Business: Bob Van Herpe is looking for help "straightening up" headquarters, please contact him if you have some time available to help. We are getting closer to having heat in the building. Bob wants to put a VHF antenna on the roof.

New Business: No Report

Meeting was adjourned at 8:35.

Respectfully submitted:

Debra Anderson - Secretary