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D/C Jennine Fine, S

Greetings Friends:

Hoping you and yours are enjoying your summer. If you haven't been able to meet me, this is my 6th year on the D10 Bridge and have a Fine family of four who enjoys "Fine 4 Cruisin' " during the summer.

It has been 3.5 months since I began "Steering Towards a Fine Course" in 2023-24. I continue to guide the D10 Bridge, Committee Chairs, and Squadron Commanders to meet goals and deadlines in a timely manner. I also earn hours for my merit mark by volunteering with the Minneton-

ka Squadron, learning the lines of National USPS, and focusing on striving to lead D10 toward "A Fine Course".

If you missed the 2023 D10 Change of Watch ... it was a blast !!! Kevin Wehrmann's fun meter exceeded its limits. Rain or shine ... Mini Golfing was most enjoyable.





Never have I seen so many D10 Past Commanders get together and enjoy the evening !! Can you name all the D10 Past Commanders?



Thank you to Milwaukee's own and National Administrative Officer, V/C Mike Wiedel for being the Chief's Representative and installing the 2023-24 D10 Bridge and Officers.

A Great Thanks goes out to Kevin Cooper who withstood all my changes when on the fly.



Thank you to my home, Minnetonka Squadron, for your support !!!

Thank you Kris & St Paul Squadron for your continued support !!!



Thank you to the 2022-23 and 2023-24 D10 Bridge !!! This team's talent and service will definitely lead D10 to another successful year even with the many challenges put in front of them.



I congratulate the D10 Planning & Rules Committee which will be working hard and fast to make ours a better place as I continue to embrace Squadron Commanders to conform to the latest and greatest National News and Bylaws ...





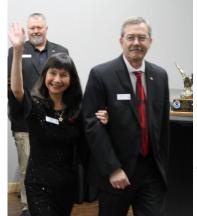
Thanks to the "Circle Dogs" led by Jeff Hoffman, Minnetonka's own, who did an awesome performance !!! Not only was he the lead in this band, but also took so many pictures. Thank you Jeff.

Another great shout of thank you goes out to Suzanne & Geoff for their continued efforts in providing the date & venue for

2023 Spring Conference. Some people just know how to have fun. So much that they are planning the 2023 Summer Rendezvous.

It will be a pleasure to meet you at the 2023 Summer Rendezvous at Lake Winneconne, WI as Suzanne & Geoff have been working hard to make this event possible. Oshkosh, Madison & Milwaukee Squadrons will see to it that we have a fun filled weekend with District 10 Friends and Families.





I would like to send out a BIG Thank You to Dave Fine and Kevin Wehrmann for planning the Spring Conference from ground zero on up. Both spent many hours to make the Conference a festive weekend for 70+ attendees.

Know that family and friends are very important for your well being and hope that you make many fun loving memories this summer.



Realize that you, as a D10 member, are considered a part of my Fine Family of 909. Know that District 10 can always add one more as this circle of friends welcomes any and all. Take care and have a safe and healthy summer.

Kindest Regards, D/C Jennine Fine, S District 10 Commander





District Executive Department

Greetings,

I hope everyone is having a great summer. I know that mine has been busy.



I hope that Vessel Examiners are offering boaters Vessel Safety Checks (VSC's) so that we can attain our district goal of 900. I have one squadron that ran out of VSC decals. I look at the VSC as an opportunity to do a quick one on



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one boater education with boaters and leave them with one of our trifolds from national with Central Wisconsin's contact information and encourage them to contact me if they have any more questions.



On the geodetic marker program, we have an individual that has achieved honor roll status:

Congratulations Sandra Broekema !!!

This is another district goal met, now all we need is a squadron to reach honor roll status.

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Cooperative Charting Corner By D/Lt/C Sandra Broekema

Did you know...

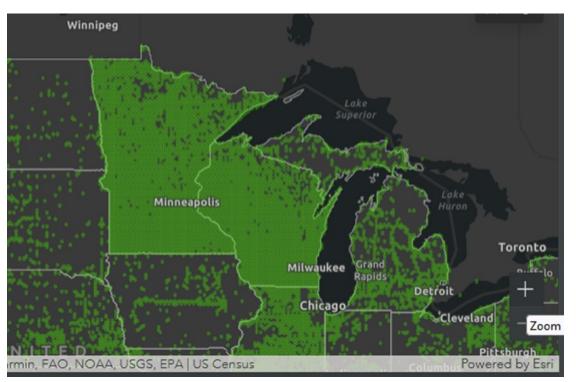
The National Geodetic Survey (NGS) has established a list of priority BenchMarks to be recov-

ered and documented as we move to the modernized National Spatial Reference System (NSRS). This effort is extremely important in tying the local control stations to the NSRS.

Fortunately, Minnesota and Wisconsin are number 1 and 2 respectively in the U.S. for in getting these marks documented (see attached map).



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Green areas are complete for this purpose, grey areas are still needed (Priority BenchMarks).

You can look up detailed datasheets with directions and sometimes photographs for locating these marks on BenchMark hunter applications or https://noaa.ngs.gov/NGSDataExplorer. Let me know if you are able to recover any of these or need help submitting the documentation (including the time/date and coordinated stamped close up on the Mark!

What follows is a table of the PIDs by county for each state that are still needed. These marks tend to be in out of the way places, but might make for a fun and productive day trip. The Federal deadline for submitting these particular observations is September 30, 2023.

PRIORITY BENCHMARKS FOR D10 REGION

STATE	COUNTY	PRIORITY PIDs		
WISCONSIN	Clark	DJ4896		
	Door	DL2507, DL2541		
	Forest	DP8733, DP8739, DP8742, DP8816, QM0543		
	Langlade	DP8779, DP8861		
	Manitowoc	PM0100		
	Marinette	DP8259, DP8289, DP8843		
	Menominee	DP8869		
	Oconto	DP8292, DP8808, QM0054		
	Oneida	QM0524		
	Price	DN7345		
	Shawano	DL2519, DP1760		
	Taylor	DN7357		
	Winnebago	DE7567, OM0552		
MINNESOTA	Aitkin	DF7409, DF7412, DF7422, DG5780, DK8214, RN1420		
	Beltrami	DK2907, DK2917, DK2945, DK2961, TC0101		
	Carlton	RN1751		
	Cass	AH6973, DE8027, DF4577, SJ1612, SJ2080		
	Clearwater	DK3928, DK3945		
	Cook	SH0059, SH0109, SH0111, SH0152, TA0017		
	Crow Wing	AB5887, RO0011		
	Itasca	DQ9186, SJ2008		
	Kittson	DK6255, DK6282, DK6291, TD1246		
	Koochiching	TB0537, TC0072, TC0088		
	Lake	SH0277, SH0344, SH0522, SH0827, TA0066		
	Lake o' Woods	DN4474, DN4486		
	Marshall	DK6173, DK6175, DK6179, DK6222		
	Norman	DI4139		
	Ottertail	DH4027, Di0407		
	Pennington	DO9045, SK1087		
	Polk	DP2055		
	Red Lake	DP2058		
	Roseau	SL1610		
	St. Louis	AC5090, DF9088, DF9106, DF9119, DF9128, DF92137, DM5771,		
		DR2530, DR5079, RN0129, RN0694, RN0712, SH0327, SH0372,		
		SH0582, SJ0136, SJ0199, SJ0204, SJ0484, SJ0653, SJ0786, SJ1862,		
		ТАОО87, ТВО185, ТВ1089, ТВО191, ТВО201, ТВО326, ТВО327		
MICHIGAN (select Coun- ties on Upper Peninsula)	Delta	QL0078, QL0131, QL0228, RK0373, RK0646		
	Dickinson	AA5207, QM0010, QM0020, QM0021, RK0190, RK0198, RK0201,		
		RL0202, RL0206, RL0244		
	Mackinac	QK0044, QK0223, RJ0034, RJ0277, RJ0280, RJ0347, RJ0348, RJ0459, RJ0659, RJ0663		
	Menominee	QL0239, QL0282, QL0392, QL0554		
	Schoolcraft	QK0553, QL0036, RK0054, RK0056, RK0061, RK0085, RK0092		

District Educational Department

Once again, I find myself serving your District 10 as the primary Educational Officer. I look forward to the challenges of a new educational year which began July 1, 2023, and will end on June 30, 2024.

For those of you newer members, I also serve our USPS national leadership as chairman of our America's Boating Course (ABC3). I attend the national meetings along with a few others of our D-10 group.

At the present time I, along with you, am enjoying the summer sea-

son. I will be setting up a virtual squadron educational officer's session. We will collaborate to access class and seminar needs for this upcoming fall and winter season.

I am currently targeting a weather course and our newly released Paddle Smart seminar. I'm also wanting to see another Boat Handling course put on the schedule. If you are interested in having your squadron involved in teaching any of these classes, please contact me.

If any of you have the desire to take additional USPS courses or seminars, please send me an email at wkoplitz@aol.com.

As always, I wish you all the joys of the current boating season and safe travels.

Regards,

Wesley D. Koplitz

District Educational Officer





District Administrative Department

District 10 Administrative Department

A special Thank You goes out to P/D/Lt/C Suzanne Carman for showing me the ropes (and flags and burgees) and providing such a complete and smooth transition for me as the newly elected Administrative Officer, and for accepting the position as District 10 Assistant Administrative Officer. Her experience will facilitate a seamless transition.



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Membership is Job 1 for the Administrative offices across America's

Boating Club. As of June 30, District 10 overall member retention rate stands at 90.6% (compared to 90% annual goal). Squadrons have added 65 new members YTD, resulting in a net D10 membership of 909 compared to 917 at the beginning of the year (offset from non-renewals). Our summer boating season is the busiest recruitment season, so we are optimistic that through member involvement and retention, we can achieve our Administrative goal of adding at least 100 new members!

Speaking of member involvement, we had a wonderful time at the 2023-2024 Change of Watch in Eau Claire at the end of April. It is always great to see our friends from all over the District! There were a variety of classes and speakers and plenty of time for fraternal recreation including miniature golf and indoor go-kart racing! The Boating Tips and Tricks roundtable on Sunday morning was well attended and informative.

Plan on attending the District 10 Rendezvous at Lake Winneconne Park August 18-20, for on the water fun, food and fellowship. This relaxed summer event includes on the water activities, Showboat II dinner cruise, evening bonfire hosted by Oshkosh, Milwaukee and Madison. Watch for more information and sign up!

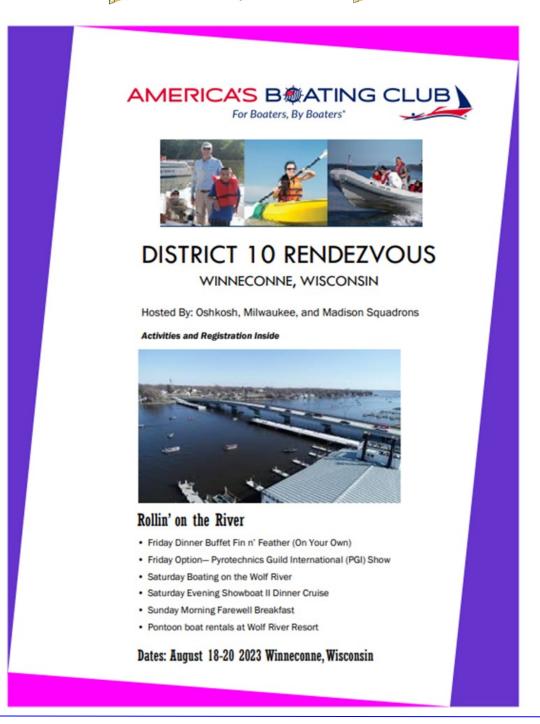
We have already achieved one of our departmental goals by submitting 6 applications for the Membership Involvement and Retention Award (MIRA)! A special thank you goes out to Oshkosh (1), Central Wisconsin (2), Green Bay (3), Minnetonka (4), Madison (5) and St. Paul (6) for submitting a MIRA application this year. Good luck and we look forward to winners being announced at the Fall Governing Board in Kansas City in September!

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D10 2023 Summer Rendezvous

Cohosted by Madison, Milwaukee & Oshkosh Squadrons





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Rendezvous Information

CLICK ON MAP FOR DIRECTIONS

Boating:

For Saturday's Boating on water event there are two options: Bring your own boat (there is dockage available at the park) and invite others to join you on your boat. Please let us know how many additional

Schedule: Friday

The event begins Friday

weekend facility in the

Evening with a gathering at our

Winneconne Park pavilion. Our

located adjacent to the Landing

Friday evening meal is at the

on the Wolf just a short walk

across the bridge from the

pavilion and the Wolf River

Resort. We will have our own

area in the restaurant, with your

Fin N' Feather restaurant,



Schedule: Saturday

Saturday morning enjoy breakfast at one of the nearby local restaurants. Enjoy your cup of coffee before the Saturday fun begins. At 1000 we will gather at the Winneconne Park pavilion for our activities. A cruise is planned along the scenic Wolf River. At the Captains discretion you may travel to Omro, Oshkosh, or Freemont. Snacks and beverages provided along the way. Following our afternoon on the water we will be treated to a two hour trip and dinner aboard the Vessel Showboat II. The menu selection is reminiscent of the Wisconsin Supper Club tradition of times past. Cruise, meal, tax and gratuity are included in the registration price. A cash bar is available on board for your pleasure. After our cruise we again gather back at Winneconne Park where surprises await.

guests you may wish to host on your boat, (OR) Rent a pontoon boat from the Wolf River Resort in Winneconne as an individual, or for more fun as a group. <u>Click Here</u> for Wolf River Boat Rentals



Schedule: Sunday

Sunday morning we all sail away to our home ports after a home cooked Brunch at the home of Geoff and Suzanne Carman



Schedule: Optional A rare treat is available for those who wish an additional Friday Activity. The Pyrotechnics Guild

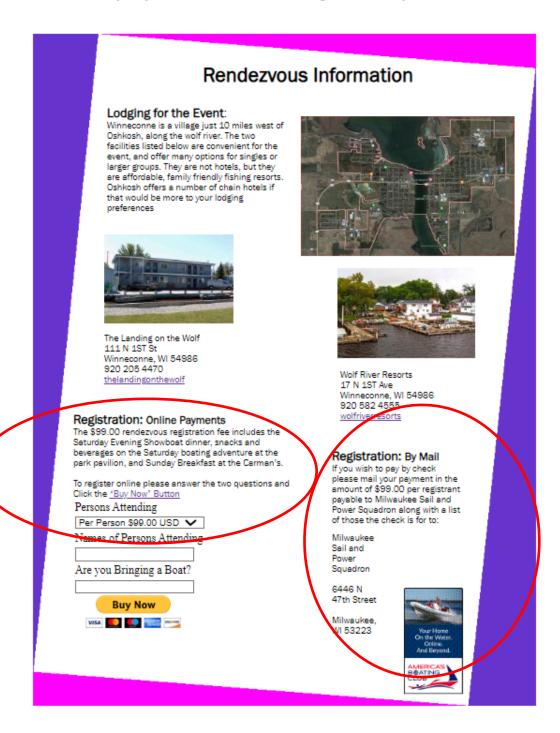
menu selection billed

individually.

International is having their convention in Oshkosh. The Guild is having a public showing of their expertise on Friday evening. Separate ticket and event information is at <u>This Link</u>. Information on the Pyrotechnics Guild International (PGI) <u>Available</u> <u>here.</u>



To Register: Click <u>Here</u> or on the Graphics Below to reach the official Milwaukee Website to pay online. Select the down arrow to select number of attendees & follow instructions for payment. Else, register by mail.



Come Have Fun with Us at National

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Central Wisconsin Sail & Power Squadron







Madison Sail and Power Squadron

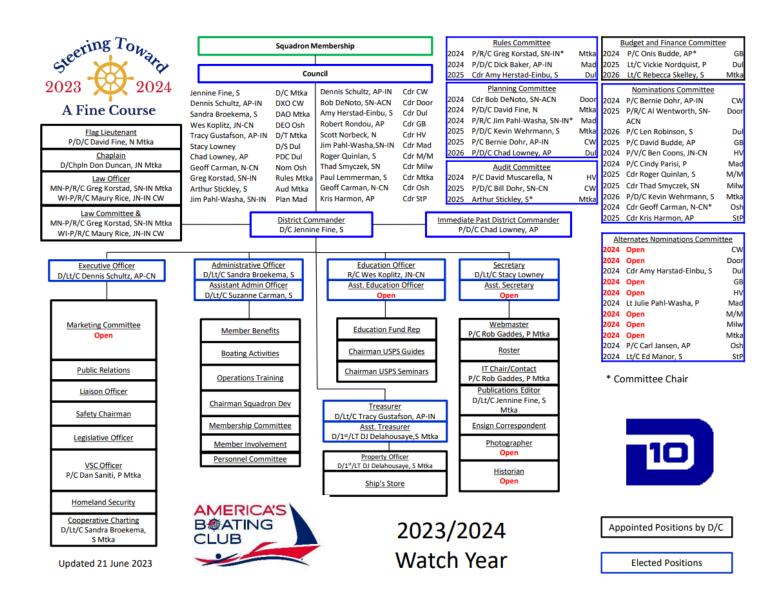


Minnetonka Power Squadron





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Help Wanted !!! – District 10 is looking for people interested in taking on a current role at the District level. Key needs are:

- ⇒ D10 Assistant Education Officer
- ⇒ D10 Assistant Secretary
- ⇒ Publications Editor
- ⇒ Alternate Nominations Committee Member: Central Wisconsin, Door County, Green Bay, Hiawatha Valley, Marinette/Menominee, Milwaukee, & Minnetonka

Feel free to reach out to any member of the Bridge if you want more info. Taking on one of these roles is a great way to see what goes on at the District level and we could really use your help!

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