Bos'n's Pipe

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Calendar

December
13 Executive
Committee
Meeting
13 Christmas
Party and
General Member ship
Meeting
20 Santa
Cruise, Lake
Pleasant

Christmas Party is December 13

By Cdr Dan Sheen

The squadron's annual Christmas party on December 13th is at the home of Jerry and Kathy Anderson in Fountain Hills.

Everything starts at 2:00 p.m. and will merrily proceed at a reasonable pace afterwards.

Jerry and Kathy are furnishing the wonderful setting and the squadron is furnishing the meat dish, soft drinks and punch.

Members are asked to provide holiday cheer and potluck dishes. Our December General Membership Meeting will be a brief interruption to the fun and games.

There is a purely voluntary gift exchange. Don't participate in the gift exchange unless you bring a gift, and the gift does not have to be nautical.

For the potluck, there is no formal rule of who should bring what to share, but in the past those with last names beginning with A-L have been asked to bring a side dish, and those whose last name starts with M-Z have been asked to bring a dessert to share. Also, bring your own adult beverages.

from the 101 in Scottsdale (north or south depending on where in Phoenix you start), take the Shea Blvd. exit heading east to Fountain Hills, after 7.8 miles turn left (north) on E. Palisades Blvd, after 2.9 miles turn right on E. Lost Hills Drive. Then take the second right on E. Ponderosa to Andersons' house at:

15833 E. Ponderosa Dr. Fountain Hills AZ 85268

If you get lost call: Jerry and Kathy's Home phone: 480-837-0043 Cell: 480-540-9494.

Members earn Merit Marks

The Chief Commander has awarded merit marks the following members for service to the squadron and USPS. According to U. S. Power Squadrons bylaws, members may be awarded only one merit mark per year. This year, there were 40 members who had provided work qualifying them for a merit mark.

Jerry Anderson **Art Ashton** Rosa Biagi Wilma Burgeson **Chuck Davis** Frank Fitzgerald Jean Gray **Sally Harrington** Jim Hill Bill Johnson John Lusson Ron McNeil Jose Pallavicini Jane Peterson Dan Rye Paul Schoonover **Dan Sheen Rochelle Taylor** Joe Warren **Rose Werner** John Yount

Kathryn Anderson **Diane Ashton** Terry Biagi **Barb Davis** Fred Drawert Bill Friedhoff Terry Gray **Tim Harrington** Connie Johnson Joel Lieberman **Candace Martin** Les Ormsby **Graydon Peoples Chuck Peterson** John Schmelzeis Kim Sheen **Dale Taylor Jackie Wanta Ron Werner** Lee Whitehead

Squadron Happenings

A quick look at what's coming up...

The calendar has been updated with this issue. Be sure to check new entries and put them on your calendar. There have been several changes in dates for events and activities.

2014

December

13 Executive Committee Meeting

13 Christmas Party and General Member ship Meeting

20 Santa Cruise, Lake Pleasant

2015

January

8 Executive Committee Meeting

15 Phoenix Sail and Power Squadron annual meeting

24 Snow Cruise, Lake Pleasant

18-25 USPS Annual Meeting, Jacksonville

February

7 Squadron Change of Watch

12 Executive Committee Meeting

22 Lake Pleasant raft-up

Note: Some dates are proposed and subject to change. All Executive Committee meetings begin at System-Aire Office, 7136 W. Frier Dr., Glendale. General Membership Meetings are at various locations. Attitude adjustment, 1730; dinner, 1830; meeting and program, 1930. Locations are subject to change



Cdr Dan sheen presents life membership to Rochelle Taylor at the annual Turkey Fry. Rochelle qualified for the honor by earning 25 merit marks



Ron Werner (left) and Paul Schoonover renew their longtime friendship at the Turkey Fry.



District Commander Ken Smith, and his wife, Pat, ventured south from their floating home in Washington State to attend the Phoenix Sail and Power Squadron annual turkey fry. Ken is serving his second term as commander. He and Pat are active in squadron activities as well as those of District 28

Many thanks from your editor to Ron and Rose Werner and Joel Lieberman and Kim and Dan Sheen for the photos on these pages.





Turkey Fry photos—Bill and Connie Johnson turned their backyard into a perfect location for this year's turkey fry. From above and clockwise, Bill Johnson and Ron Werner display the featured guest, the folks sitting down for giving thanks, and Frank Firtzgerald and his daughter, Mary, made the turkey fry the first place to visit after Frank's recent illness.



Happy Birthday

See this month's Bos'n's Pipe in color on the Squadron's web site at www.sailangle.com (That's all one word, no spaces.) There's a year's worth

of "Pipes"

there in case

you missed

something

earlier.

The following members are celebrating birthdays this month



Danny Friend, John Lusson, Ron McNeil, Jose Pallavicini, Chuck Peterson, Ben Picone, Moriah Trostler



Scenes from the Turkey fry—(from top) Kim and Cdr Dan Sheen, cooks in the kitchen, and a view of folks enjoying the splendid meal.

Many Happy Returns



Check the squadron's web site for the latest schedule of public boating classes. They are conveniently located on both the east and west sides of the metropolitan area. And volunteer to proctor. You'll sharpen your boating skills with some very nice people.

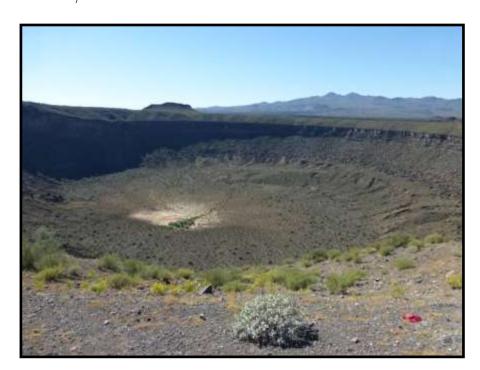




These photos, supplied by Dan and Kim Sheen show some of the activities at the Mexican Fiesta in November. From above, clockwise, Diane Ashton and Dan Sheen brave the hike on Picante Peak near Rocky Point. Paul Schoonover prepares Shrimp a la Bahia Cholla for the Saturday night dinner, and Gary Prigge, Jose Pallavacini, Anne and Paula, Paul Schoonover's daughters join Diane Ashton at the Friday night gettogether at Jose and Jan's water front home on Cholla Bay.







More photos from the Mexican Fiesta—(Clockwise from left) The cinder volcanic crater at Picante Mountain new Rocky Point. Art Ashton takes a breather while hiking to the crater. The view of Cholla Bay from the beach. Local birds in Mexico.







Paper or Online?

Over the past few years, many members have opted to receive the publication by computer instead of "snail mail." Increasing the number of online-only readers has a significant influence on the squadron's budget. Postage has increased to 49¢ per copy. The October-November 2014 edition was typical, so it cost about 56¢ per copy. The number of mailed copies has been reduced by many households, saving postage and printing.

Most, including the current editor of the publication, believe the *Bos'n's Pipe* is an easily justifiable expense. There are members, however, who would rather have the *Pipe* delivered each month exclusively online. Online distribution saves the squadron money, and the publication is available for use two or three days before it is delivered by mail. And, of course, the online edition is in full color usually with one or two extra pages that the printed version does not contain.

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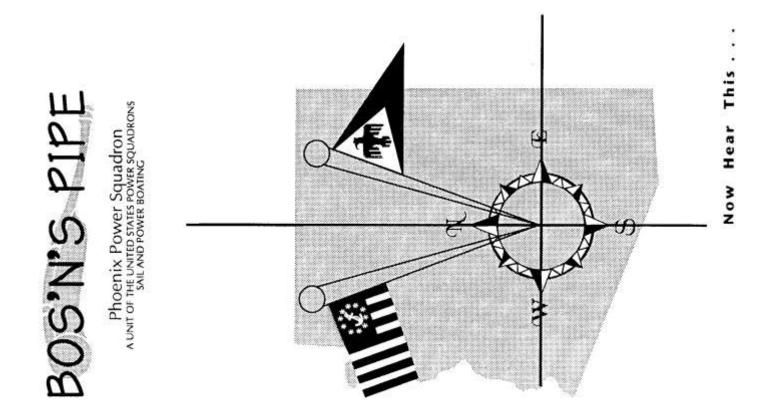
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