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NOVEMBER 2019



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## CAPTREE POWER SQUADRON & DISTRICT 3 2019 - 20 MAJOR ACTIVITIES

### 2019

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### 2020

|           |        |  |
|-----------|--------|--|
| JANUARY   | 15     | Captree General Membership Meeting – Moose Lodge                       |
|           | 20     | 2019-20 Captree Nominations' Slate Due                                 |
| FEBRUARY  | TBA    | D-3 Orientation Meeting – Melville Marriott                            |
|           | 02     | USPS 106th Anniversary (Founded 02 February 1914)                      |
|           | 05     | Captree Executive Committee Meeting – Moose Lodge                      |
|           | 9-16   | USPS National Convention – Ponte Vedra, Florida                        |
|           | 19     | Captree General Membership Meeting – Moose Lodge                       |
| MARCH     | 04     | Captree Executive Committee Meeting – Moose Lodge                      |
|           | TBA    | D-3 Council Meeting – Melville Marriott                                |
|           | 18     | Captree General Membership Meeting – <u>ELECTIONS</u> – Moose Lodge    |
|           | 19     | Captree's 68th Anniversary (Founded 19 March 1951)                     |
|           | TBA    | D-3 Spring Conference, Luncheon & Change of Watch                      |
| APRIL     | 01     | Captree Executive Committee Meeting – Moose Lodge                      |
|           | TBA    | D-3 Memorial Service – United Methodist Church, Port Washington        |
|           | 15     | Captree General Membership Meeting – <u>COW CEREMONY</u> – Moose Lodge |
| MAY       | 06     | Captree Executive Committee Meeting – Moose Lodge                      |
|           | 20     | Captree General Membership Meeting – Moose Lodge                       |
|           | 23-25  | Memorial Day Weekend Raft-ups – Oak Island                             |
| JUNE      | 03     | Captree Executive Committee Meeting – Moose Lodge                      |
|           | TBA    | D-3 Council Meeting – Melville Marriott                                |
|           | TBA    | D-3 Ducks Game and BBQ   |
|           | 19     | Captree General Membership Meeting – Moose Lodge                       |
| JULY      | 03-05  | July 4 <sup>th</sup> Weekend Raft-ups – Oak Island                     |
|           | Wkends | Impromptu weekend Raft-ups at Captree Cove – Weather Permitting        |
|           | TBA    | Captree Executive Committee Meeting                                    |
|           | TBA    | D-3 Rendezvous East  |
| AUGUST    | Wkends | Impromptu weekend Raft-ups at Captree Cove – Weather Permitting        |
|           | 05     | Captree Executive Committee Meeting – Moose Lodge                      |
|           | 19     | Captree General Membership Meeting – Moose Lodge                       |
| SEPTEMBER | 02     | Captree Executive Committee Meeting – Moose Lodge                      |
|           | 05-07  | Labor Day Weekend Raft-ups – Oak Island                                |
|           | TBA    | Basket-Making Party for Fall Rendezvous                                |
|           | TBA    | Captree Fall Rendezvous – Cedar Beach Marina                           |
|           | 16     | Captree General Membership Meeting – Moose Lodge                       |
| OCTOBER   | 07     | Captree Executive Committee Meeting – Moose Lodge                      |
|           | 21     | Captree General Membership Meeting – Moose Lodge                       |
|           | TBA    | D-3 Council Meeting – Melville Marriott                                |
|           | TBA    | Captree End-of-Season Brunch   |
|           | TBA    | Captree Oktoberfest or Halloween Party                                 |

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# COMMANDER'S REPORT

**Cdr. Carol Johnson, AP**



Where has the time gone? Here it is November and I am already six months into my term as Commander.

It may seem too early to some, but the time is upon us to think about the positions that will need to be filled on next year's Bridge and many other positions necessary to keep Captree going.

It is the responsibility of the Nominating Committee to recommend members for all open positions on the Bridge, Assistants to Bridge positions, Members-at-Large, and open Committee positions. If you are interested in filling one of these open positions, please make your intentions known to our Nominating Committee Chairperson, P/C Charlie Virga, as soon as possible. According to our squadron's bylaws, candidates for Bridge positions must have at least one Advanced Grade and have earned at least one Merit Mark. In addition, candidates for SEO and ASEO must be approved by the District SEO.

Once the Nominating Committee completes its recommendations, they will publish its slate in the **LOG**. Remember, these are only recommendations. If a member would like to run for an elected position, and their name is not on the recommended slate, they can do so by sending a petition signed by five active members in good standing to our Secretary at least fifteen days prior to the date of elections. Our elections for the 2020-2021 fiscal year will be held at our March General Membership meeting on March 18, 2020. Remember, this is your squadron and if you wish to become more involved, let us know, ask questions. We all must work together to keep this squadron a viable part of the United States Power Squadrons.

We've been very busy the past two weeks with fun events. The End-of-Season Brunch held at Captain Bill's on October 20<sup>th</sup> was a huge success, with 40 members and spouses attending. I've been at Captain Bill's at least six times and have never been disappointed. The brunch menu is always quite

extensive and the dessert table will satisfy the most discriminating sweet tooth! (Thank you, Joe and Gigi for the Mojito, it was outstanding!).

On October 26<sup>th</sup> Linda (Party Girl) and John LaDez opened their home to 20 members and spouses to celebrate Oktoberfest in style with sauerbraten, spaetzles, German sausages and German green beans, red cabbage, baked beans, wine and lots of different beers. Desserts were plentiful and delicious. A big Thank-you to Linda and John for a great evening. Pictures from these events are in this **LOG**.

While we are still in party mode, I'd like to remind you to send in your reservations for the Ladies' Holiday Luncheon on December 8<sup>th</sup> at Francesco's in Babylon Village. Also, Holly and Michael Ferruso have booked Butterfield's again this year for our Holiday Party. Good food and great music! Please see the flyers for these events in this **LOG** and send in your reservations soon so we can get a head count.

At the District Fall Conference to be held on November 2<sup>nd</sup>, Charlie Virga, who has chaired this event for the past 29 years, will be passing this responsibility to Dick Jost of Patchogue Bay. Also, Len Schiede will be honored for 50 years of membership, dedication and support of the USPS mission. The best thank-you you can give Charlie and Len is to attend the Fall Conference. I urge each and every Captree member to join together at the afternoon session beginning at 1:15PM to honor these Captree members.

I look forward to seeing you at our upcoming Holiday events.

Happy Thanksgiving to all!

And I will say it again - ***What a Life!***

***Carol***

# **Ladies' Holiday Luncheon**

**Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup>**

**12:30 p.m.**

**at**

**Francesco's of Babylon**

**29 John Street**

**Babylon, NY 11702**

## ***Menu Includes:***

**Tossed Salad, Rigatoni alla Vodka,  
Chicken Francese, Eggplant Parmesan,  
Penne with Broccoli (garlic & oil)  
Wine, Soda, Coffee, Tea & Dessert**

**Cost: \$32.00 per person**

**Gift Exchange: \$20.00**

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**Name(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

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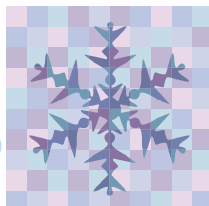
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# ***CAPTREE BOATERS' HOLIDAY PARTY***

***SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2019***



***7:30 – 10:30 PM***

***BUTTERFIELDS***

***661 OLD WILLETS PATH***

***HAUPPAUGE, NY 11788***

***LIVE BAND FROM 9:00 PM***

***EXTENSIVE BUFFET, DESSERT, COFFEE, TEA***

***WINE, BEER, SODA***

***ORNAMENT AND CARD EXCHANGE***

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***RSVP BY SUNDAY, DEC 1st:***

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**96 BROOKSITE DRIVE**

**SMITHTOWN, NY 11787**

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**NUMBER ATTENDING \_\_\_\_\_ X \$60 each = \$\_\_\_\_\_**

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*A BIG THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING CAPTREE  
MEMBERS FOR THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS  
TOWARDS OUR VERY SUCCESSFUL  
LOTTO RAFFLE AT THE FALL RENDEZVOUS*

Jerry Cappa

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Marylou Krzeski

Linda & John LaDez

Ron Linhart

Pavlos Mourdoukoutas

Mike Richter

Bob Silz

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George Tracy

Kathy & Frank Verderber

*WE ALSO WISH TO THANK THOSE MEMBERS  
THAT CONTRIBUTED BEER, WINE, LIQUOR AND  
ICE TOWARDS THE RENDEZVOUS*

# Good and Welfare



**MAY YOU ALL HAVE A WONDERFUL  
THANKSGIVING CELEBRATING WITH  
FAMILY AND FRIENDS!**



Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Please help keep us informed of any illnesses, deaths or happy moments of our members and their family.

Call or send it to:

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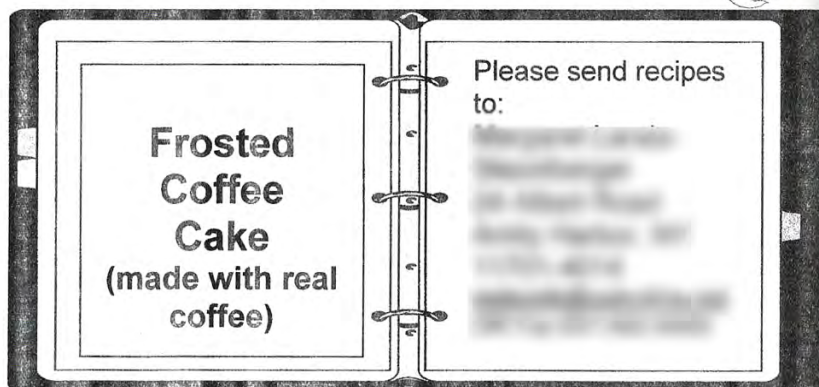


# CAPTREE

## HISTORY

**Captree LOG**  
MAY 2003

### WAVE RIDING GOURMET...



#### **Cake:**

¼ cup shortening  
½ cup brown sugar  
½ cup granulated sugar  
1 egg  
½ cup strong cold coffee  
1 ½ cup flour  
½ teaspoon baking powder  
½ teaspoon baking soda

½ teaspoon salt  
½ teaspoon allspice  
½ cup raisins

#### **Icing:**

2 cups powdered sugar  
1 tablespoon milk

#### **Garnish:**

½ cup chopped pecans (I always add more)

1. Mix together thoroughly first 3 ingredients.
2. Add the egg and beat well.
3. Add cold coffee gradually, mixing well
4. Sift together next 5 ingredients.
5. Add raisins
6. Stir both mixtures together and pour into a greased and floured 9 x 13 inch pan.
7. Bake at 350° for 18 to 20 minutes.
8. Mix together the powdered sugar and milk til silky.
9. When cool, pour or drizzle the icing over to the top.
10. Add the pecans.

In honor of our 68th year, this article is re-published from the MAY 2003 issue of the **Captree LOG**. Each month we will bring to you articles or stories, or in some cases recipes, from past **Captree LOGs**.

No matter what the date Recipes are timeless. This looks delicious. Let us know if any of you try it out!

# ***WELCOME ABOARD***

## **A note from Frank Verderber - Roster Publication Editor**

Welcome to our newest Captree Members and our 2019 Associate Members.

All are asked to check their information listed in the Roster issued in September of 2019. If there are any additions or corrections that need to be made, please notify me by email at [fverderber@optonline.net](mailto:fverderber@optonline.net) or phone (516-799-1778).

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Boat Name: Princess Lilly

Eric Mann  
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[grussellelectric@aol.com](mailto:grussellelectric@aol.com)  
Boat Name: Three Phase

Donna & Lou Pitch  
500 Bay 5th Street  
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[lmpl604@gmail.com](mailto:lmpl604@gmail.com)  
Boat Name: No name at this time

Paul Rondinello  
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Boat Name: R & R

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Name: Livin The Dream

P/C Henry Lynn, JN & Arlene (Hempstead Bay)  
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Boat Name: Golden Girl

Robert & Ann Mauchan, AP (Jones Beach)  
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Boat Name: Always & Forever

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Boat Name: Life's 2 Short

# **NOVEMBER CELEBRATIONS**

## **MEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

11-02 George Tracy

11-03 Margie Ross

11-14 Shane McSweeney

11-21 Laura Gill (Associate Member)

## **SPOUSE BIRTHDAYS**

11-05 Katie Fisher

11-11 Judy Silz

11-24 Pat Klein

## **MEMBER ANNIVERSARIES**

11-20 Frank & Kathy Verderber



Please send Birthday & Anniversary information to  
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# MEMBER INVOLVEMENT

November is an active month for all of us based on numerous events during the month. First, we must remember to set our clocks back an hour at 2:00 AM on Sunday, November 3rd because Daylight Savings Times ends and Standard Time begins again. Most important, you will gain one hour of sleep, however, you will lose that hour in the spring.

Second, Election Day is Tuesday the 5th of November. This year may not be as important as a Presidential Election year; but it is still important since it involves a good portion of our local governmental leaders who will represent us at the county, township, and/or local village level. It is important that you take advantage of your freedom to choose a candidate and vote. People in other countries will give anything to have the power that you hold to be able to vote freely without being harassed.

A third date in November that is important is Veterans' Day on Monday, November 11th. Above I wrote about our freedom to vote and that we in America have. We have this freedom because of the sacrifices made by our men and women currently in service and for all those veterans who have fought and died in past wars to maintain our freedom. Being a veteran myself, I know how it feels when someone stops me to thank me for my service. If you know a veteran, seize this day to thank him or her for their service.

Lastly, Thanksgiving Day (Turkey Day) is Thursday, the 28th of November. Besides all the great food we consume, it is a day that we should take time to reflect on the joys of being with family and friends. Personally, Madelyn enjoy the gathering of our family on this day. However, over the years, our family has relocated to various parts of the country and the number of family members that now gather at our table has gotten smaller. Regardless, I know that those of us who still gather at the family table take pleasure in being together and reminiscing about other Thanksgiving's and happenings that occurred over the years. Now with "FaceTime", we can all be together even though it is only for

a short time. Again, Thanksgiving is a time we should all enjoy.

Now let me write about a USPS November event, our District 3 Fall Conference on November 2nd. Many years back I was asked to chair this event and was honored to do so. Although I have chaired this conference for twenty-nine years, it really does not feel that long (time flies when you are having fun). However, I have decided that this will be my last conference and will pass the reins on to someone (Dick Jost of Patchogue Bay) who I am sure will do an outstanding job. It has been fun meeting the members of District 3 and making new friends over the years. I hope that all those that attend enjoy the meetings, speakers and luncheon. I will report on the conference in next month's **LOG**.

Now let's talk about what Captree did as a squadron in October. At one of our Executive Committee meetings there was a discussion on how we can give back to our members for their continued dedication and support. Our Treasurer, Frank Verderber came up with the idea of holding a luncheon and having Captree subsidize much of the cost. After checking on various locations, Frank came up with Brunch at Captain Bill's in Bayshore. As a result, Captree held its first End-of-Season Brunch on Sunday, October 20th. It was a great day to hold the Brunch because it was gray outside and warm and pleasant inside. Forty members and spouses attended, some of which have been USPS members for many years. At one table, we had four longtime USPS members who in total had one-hundred seventy-one Merit Marks; that's a lot of years supporting the USPS mission.

The food was great and plenty of it, and having unlimited Bloody Mary's, Mimosas, and Champagne helped make for a warm and enjoyable afternoon.

I'd like to thank all who attended. They were Jerry & Kelly Cappa with Granddaughter Lily, Charlie & Fran Cooper, Victor & Denise



# MEMBER INVOLVEMENT

Dellicurti, John & Eileen Dwyer, Michael & Holly Ferruso, Bob & Katie Fisher, Jack & Bobby Hoogervorst, Gene & Carol Johnson, Steve Katsur & Linda Faust, Marylou Krzeski, John & Linda LaDez, Michael & Camille Mercurio, Michael & Dianne Richter, Bob & Judy Silz, Joe & Joan Smith, Jack Stange, Ed & Cathy Starling, Newlyweds Joe & Gigi Tavella, Frank & Kathy Verderber, Tom & Pam Zimmer, and Madelyn & me.

On October 16th, we had planned to hold our first General Membership meeting with less business and more fun including playing the game called **"LEFT, RIGHT, CENTER"**. Unfortunately, the weather was really bad that night and our Commander Carol Johnson cancelled the meeting. We now plan to try that less business more fun format at our November 20th General Membership meeting.

Also in October, we held our first Oktoberfest on the 26th at John and Linda LaDez's house. The LaDez's did a great job decorating their party room to make it look like a Bavarian Village which set the tone for the evening. Some of those that attended brought various German foods and desserts to go along with the theme. Let me not forget the assortment of German beers and other libations that kept the party in a festive mood.

I would like to thank the following members, spouses, and guests who joined us at our first Oktoberfest. Attending were Charlie & Fran Cooper, Gene & Carol Johnson, Marylou Krzeski, John & Linda LaDez, Mike Mercurio, Mike & Dianne Richter, Bob & Judy Silz, George Tracy, Frank & Kathy Verderber and their friends Walter and Deb, Charlie Zangle & Stella Slade, and Madelyn & me. I hope that those of you who did not join us this year will be there next year.

Lastly, I would like to thank Mike Richter and Jack Stange for holding another USPS/Captree informational event at West Marine on Friday, October 18th from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. They set up a table full of information about Captree and the United States Power Squadrons. To

catch shopper's attention coming into the store and passing Captree's display, they questioned if they knew about the recently enacted New York State Boating Law, also known as Brianna's Law. Surprisingly, many had no knowledge of the new law. Once explained some commented that they been boating for xx number of years and it did not apply to them. At this point Mike handed them a flyer he made that explained that everyone must take a boating course by January 2025, no matter what age they are. I have included the details of the new law below.

**- Those born on or after 1/1/1993 need a safety certificate beginning January 2020.**

**- Those born on or after 1/1/1988 need a safety certificate beginning January 2022.**

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**- All powerboat operators, regardless of age, need a boating safety certificate beginning in January 2025.**

With the new law becoming effective January 1, 2020, all our members should be envoys and get this information out to the public and inform them that Captree is available to teach the required boating course. This is a great way to get more individuals into our classes and ultimately get new members.

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