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SEPTEMBER	<p><b>02-04</b> Labor Day Weekend Daily Raft-ups – Daily Locations TBA</p> <p><b>06</b> Captree Executive Committee Meeting – Moose Lodge</p> <p><b>06</b> Basket Making for Fall Rendezvous – Moose Lodge</p> <p>TBA Tobay Boat Show</p> <p><b>16-17</b> Captree Fall Rendezvous – Cedar Beach Marina</p> <p><b>20</b> Captree General Membership Meeting – Moose Lodge</p>
OCTOBER	<p><b>04</b> Captree Executive Committee Meeting – Moose Lodge</p> <p><b>18</b> Captree General Membership Meeting – Moose Lodge</p> <p>TBA Captree End-of-Season Brunch – Captain Bill’s, Bayshore</p> <p><b>20</b> D-3 Council Meeting – Melville Marriott</p>
NOVEMBER	<p><b>01</b> Captree Executive Committee Meeting – Moose Lodge</p> <p><b>04</b> D-3 Fall Conference – Melville Marriott</p> <p><b>15</b> Captree General Membership Meeting – Moose Lodge</p> <p>TBA Captree Turkey Shoot</p>
DECEMBER	<p>TBA Captree Ladies’ Holiday Luncheon – Date &amp; Location to be announced</p> <p>TBA Captree Men’s Holiday Spaghetti Lunch with the Boy Scouts</p> <p><b>06</b> Captree Executive Committee Meeting – Moose Lodge</p> <p>TBA Captree Holiday Party – Date &amp; Location to be announced</p>

### 2024

JANUARY	<p><b>19</b> D-3 Orientation Meeting – Melville Marriott</p> <p>TBA New York Boat Show – Javits Center, NYC</p> <p><b>30</b> 2024-25 Captree Slate of Nominations Due</p>
FEBRUARY	<p><b>02</b> USPS 110th Anniversary (Founded 02 February 1914)</p> <p><b>07</b> Captree Executive Committee Meeting – Moose Lodge</p> <p>TBA USPS National Convention</p> <p><b>21</b> Captree General Membership Meeting – Moose Lodge</p>
MARCH	<p><b>06</b> Captree Executive Committee Meeting – Moose Lodge</p> <p>TBA D-3 Council Meeting – Melville Marriott</p> <p><b>20</b> Captree Annual General Membership Meeting – <u>ELECTIONS</u> – Moose Lodge</p> <p>TBA D-3 Spring Conference &amp; Change-of-Watch – Melville Marriott</p> <p><b>19</b> Captree’s 73rd Anniversary (Founded 19 March 1951)</p>
APRIL	<p><b>03</b> Captree Executive Committee Meeting – Moose Lodge</p> <p>TBA D-3 Memorial Service – Cross of Christ Church, Babylon</p> <p><b>17</b> Captree General Membership Meeting – <u>COW Ceremony</u> – Moose Lodge</p>
MAY	<p><b>01</b> Captree Executive Committee Meeting – Moose Lodge</p> <p>TBA D-3 Council Meeting – Melville Marriott</p> <p><b>15</b> Captree General Membership Meeting – Moose Lodge</p> <p><b>25</b> Raft-up at Zach’s Bay to View Jones Beach Air Show (Weather Dependent)</p> <p><b>26</b> Alternate Date for Raft-up at Zach’s Bay to View Jones Beach Air Show</p> <p><b>27</b> Memorial Day Raft-up at Coast Guard Cove</p>

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# COMMANDER'S REPORT

**Cdr. Thomas Zimmer, AP**



Hello everyone!

Here we are at the end of Spring with Summer just around the corner starting on June 21<sup>st</sup>. While writing this article, I know that several of us were still working on getting our boats ready to launch for the upcoming boating season. Although Pam and I had a wedding to attend on Memorial Day Weekend, I do know that five Captree boats were in the water for the season and rafted up at Zach's Bay on Saturday, May 27<sup>th</sup> to enjoy the "Air Show". Check out the pictures in this **LOG**. It appears they all had a great time! While in the picture section, also check out USPS's recognition of Captree's 29 years of contributions to the USPS Education Fund, and Captree volunteers at West Marine on May 20 and 21 promoting the benefits of USPS/ Captree membership.

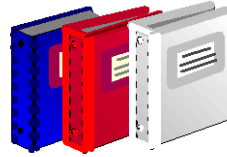
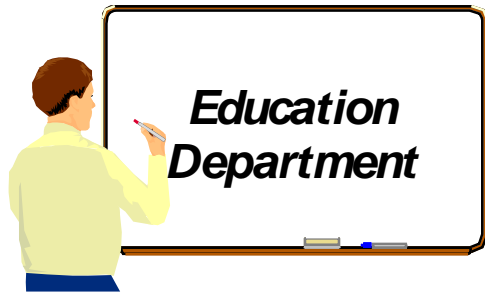
During the upcoming boating season, Captree will have many more raft-ups and events so we can stay connected. We had planned on another raft-up on Memorial Day, Monday the 29<sup>th</sup> of May, but steady winds at 18 mph, gusting into the 30's kept us at home, as it should have. Be sure to attend our annual Picnic at the Robert Moses State Park Marina's West Boat Basin on Sunday, June 11<sup>th</sup>. Both breakfast and lunch will be provided by Captree at no charge to members, their spouses, or significant others. There is a flyer in this **LOG** with all the details. Be sure to respond to Frank Verderber immediately if you plan to attend so we can get an accurate headcount for planning the food for the day. Our next event to connect with each other is our General Membership meeting on June 21<sup>st</sup> at the Moose Lodge. There will be no meeting in July but in August we will meet again at our annual BBQ meeting on Wednesday, August 16<sup>th</sup>, at Linda LaDez's. Watch your emails for further information on the August BBQ as well as our Moonlight Dinner Cruise to Flynn's on Fire Island tentatively planned for mid-July.

Again, as I write this article, I know that all our VSC examiners are hard at work with over 65 inspections completed to date. That number should jump by the end of June as we have a "VSC Day" planned for Saturday, June 17<sup>th</sup> at the Biltmore Beach Club Marina thanks to our Secretary, John Latini.

Have a wonderful and safe start to the 2023 boating season and I hope to see you all on the water sometime soon.

**Tom**

**Lt/C Eugene Johnson, AP/IN**  
**Squadron Educational Officer**



For this month's article I am going to combine Safety with Education on a timely subject. I read an article last year about recognizing the signs of a person who may be drowning. Like most people, I would expect a person who is drowning to be yelling and waving their arms to get attention. Boy was I wrong! With the coming of boating and beach season I feel this is a very important lesson to learn.

Drowning people are physiologically unable to call for help as breathing is the body's main objective. Drowning people's mouths sink below and rise above the surface of the water. They cannot call for help as they are inhaling and exhaling when their mouth is above water. They cannot wave for help as nature makes them extend their arms out to press down on the water's surface so that they can lift their mouths to breathe.

People's bodies remain upright in the water as they cannot control arm movements. They have 20 to 60 seconds before submersion occurs.

Other signs of drowning include:

- Head low in water, mouth at water level;
- Head tilted back with mouth open – eyes closed;
- Hyperventilating and gasping;
- Hair over face and eyes – not using legs;
- Appears to be climbing an invisible ladder.

Ask a person "are you alright". If they answer yes, they probably are. If they return a blank stare, rescue is needed. Remember, a drowning person will try to grab onto you, and then you are both in danger. Unless you have been trained as a lifeguard, try to stay away from the victim and instead pass something to them to grab onto - boat hook, life ring, paddle, anything but you.

All the information that I wrote about came from Soundings Magazine and soundingsonline.com.

*Lt/C Gene Johnson AP/IN*  
*Squadron Education Officer*



# Captree Picnic

*Breakfast*

*&*

*Lunch*

**ROBERT MOSES STATE PARK MARINA**  
**SUNDAY - JUNE 11, 2023 - 10 AM TO 4 PM**

***Breakfast: Bagels, Pastries, Coffee, Tea, Juices***

***Lunch: Hero's, Pot-Luck Sides & Desserts***

***(Bring Your Favorite Side Dish or Dessert to share)***

**BYOB – Beer & Wine Permitted**

**Vehicle Parking at Field 3 – Suggest you arrive by 9:30AM**

**Boat Docking at the West End Marina**

**We do not have the covered pavilion this year so we will be partying behind the boats. Be sure to bring a chair.**

**NAME(s) \_\_\_\_\_ # Attending \_\_\_\_\_**

**POT-LUCK SIDE DISH/DESSERT \_\_\_\_\_**

Please be somewhat specific as to what you are bringing

**No Charge for Members and Significant Other; \$10pp for Assoc Mbrs and \$20 for others**

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# ***WELCOME ABOARD***

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

Welcome to our newest Captree Members. All members and Associate members are asked to check their information listed in the Captree Roster last issued on January 1<sup>st</sup> of 2023. 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 at 516-817-3873.

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# JUNE CELEBRATIONS

## BIRTHDAYS

06-12 Barbara Hoogervorst (Member's Spouse)

06-22 Jack Stange

06-24 Steve Katsur

06-28 George Tracy

## ANNIVERSARIES

06-29 Charlie & Madelyn Virga



If you would like your Birthday and/or Anniversary posted on this page, please send your information to Madelyn Virga at [nanavirga@aol.com](mailto:nanavirga@aol.com)

# MEMBER INVOLVEMENT

Before I get to the upcoming month of June, let me speak about a couple of events in May that exhibited "member involvement". First was the weekend of May 20 & 21 at West Marine in West Islip where three Bridge Officers, one Assistant Officer and one Executive Committee member gave up their time at home with their families to promote Captree and the USPS. Who were these individuals? Check out the picture section of this **LOG** for their photos and give them a big thank you for their time and effort next time you see them.

The other event in May was less serious but still exhibited "member involvement". I'm speaking of the raft-up at Zach's Bay on Saturday, May 27 to view the Air Show. Five boats and many members and guests participated. The boats were captained by John Latini, Pete Teresco, Dave Pafundi, Paul Robinson, and Mike Richter. The members and guests are too many to list, but their photos can be found on the picture pages within this **LOG**. What a great way to start off the 2023 boating season!

Although we had a raft-up on May 27<sup>th</sup>, the month of June truly starts our boating season as it usually brings warm temperatures, fair skies and smooth waters for our boaters. With the weather being nicer, we can start our routine of weekend raft-ups. If you want to join rafting-up with your fellow Captree members, check the monthly calendar at [captreeboaters.com](http://captreeboaters.com) for planned raft-up locations around the middle of June as the calendar has not been fully updated yet.

June also brings Captree's Summer Picnic at the Robert Moses State Park Marina's westerly boat basin on Sunday, June 11, from 10 AM to 4 PM. Both breakfast and lunch will be served free of charge to Captree members, spouses, and significant others. Join by boat or car. For those coming by car, you must park at Field 3 and walk to the marina. However, you can drop off coolers and chairs at the marina before going to Field 3. Since we are having this early in the season and starting early in the day, there should not be a problem with parking. If you plan to attend, please complete the bottom portion of the Picnic Flyer included in this **LOG** and return it to Frank Verderber ASAP. As a reminder, this is a BYOB event. If history truly repeats itself, we should once again have a great time. Please join us!

There are two other dates to remember in June; Flag Day on Wednesday, June 11<sup>th</sup> and Father's Day on Sunday, June 18<sup>th</sup>. Fly your flags proudly on Flag

Day and if your father is still around, show him how important he is by treating him to a great Father's Day with you and your family.

For years, one of the awards we used to give out at our year-end function was the "Wooden Head" Award. This is an award that no member wants to receive as it given to a member who did not exhibit his/her's true seamanship skills, but instead, really messed up. Past Commander William Dumper was the founder of this award, which was first presented in 1990 to guess who? If you guessed me, Charlie Virga, you were correct. What an honor to receive an award that no one wants. However, I really learned from the experience that won me the award, and now I refer to that experience when teaching our ABC safe boating class. Let me explain.

I was anchored at the Sore Thumb at the entrance to the Fire Island Inlet and went ashore with my inflatable to enjoy the beach with my family. To make a long story short, the tide changed, my anchor dragged, and my boat started heading out the Inlet as I watched from shore. Fortunately, quick actions by my son and son-in-law averted the boat drifting out to sea or damaging itself or other boats. The lesson I learned was that an anchor with nylon line and no chain, combined with a change-of-tide in an area with a grassy bottom is a formula for disaster.

After that incident, I added ten feet of chain to my anchor line (the limit of my windless at the time) and changed my anchor to a "Delta" plow, which works great in grass. In a way, I am glad I got the award because I learned from it and am able to pass that lesson on to others.

Now that you have heard my story, at the end of this boating season, I would like to be informed of incidents involving Captree members who you feel could be a candidate for this award. I am the "Wooden Head Award" Committee Chairperson, and I am looking to present this award to some deserving person. If you do not want you name mentioned, it will be kept in strict confidence.

Be safe and healthy and enjoy the upcoming boating season.

**Charlie Virga**

**"Be involved & Stay Involved"**

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ITEM**



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SIZE Please circle desired sizes

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WHITE  BLUE  L.S. Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**LONG  
SLEEVE**



Mock Turtleneck shirt \$25

QUANTITY \_\_\_\_\_

SIZE Please circle desired sizes

S  M  L  XL  2XL  3XL  4XL

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