

# Evansville Bend Power Squadron

# Pilot

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## COW—2007 New Officers Inducted



### Meet your new Evansville Bend Bridge.

Left—Sam Richey, Education Officer; Keith Gehlhausen, Executive Officer; Commander Janice Elwood; Steve Wilson, Asst. Education Officer; Vicky Trapp, Secretary/Treasurer, and Sally Frazier, Administrative Officer.

### Commander's Corner



As your new Commander along with a very competent new bridge we are already working very

hard in planning a busy year for Evansville Bend.

This started with a wonderful change of watch that was held at Wolf's in Henderson. There was a great time had by all, good food and short speeches. Thanks to Nola Bernstein for the Circus theme decorations for the Change of Watch.

This year Evansville Bend will be celebrating our 35<sup>th</sup> year being a unit of the United States Power Squadron. On March 11<sup>th</sup> of 1977 the USPS Governing board chartered EB with 29 members. Today our membership is at 70 Active/Additional members, 11 Family members, and 3 Sea Scouts. The bridge throughout the

<b>Commander:</b>	<b>Cdr. Janice Elwood, JN</b>	(401-8300)
Executive Officer:	Lt/C Keith Gehlhausen	(476-4460)
Administrative Officer:	Lt/C Sally Frazier	(867-3058)
Secretary/Treasurer:	P/C Vicki Trapp, P	(437-5447)
Education Officer:	P/Stf/C Sam Richey, SN	(812-721-2322)
Asst. Education Officer:	Lt/C Steve Wilson, S	(477-2814)

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year recognizing our 35 years will plan activities.

The next couple of months will be busy for EB. The Boat Show will be held at Roberts Stadium on 2/23-25/07. If you would like to help at EB's booth at the Boat Show please give Ron Steckler a call at 473-0107. The Boat Smart Classes will start on March 6<sup>th</sup> for the following four Tuesday nights. Then in the middle of the Boat Smart Classes EB will be hosting the D24 Spring Conference where our own Dick Mahrenholz will be installed in as the District Commander.

All the above activity is quite a job for EB members, but I guarantee EB is up for the challenge.

*Cdr. Janice Elwood, JN*

## Education Update



There is still plenty of time to take classes before Spring. I would like to get Piloting going and I am planning on having a Seamanship class soon after the Boat Smart class. The Boat Smart class will begin March 6<sup>th</sup> at St Marks Lutheran Church at 18:30. I have the instructors but still need proctors. It really helps getting new members when we have more of our members at the public class to meet and talk with students. So if you are not busy, **please** come to the class.

We have just finished the Weather Class. Seven of our members took the course and seven passed both

sections. Steve Wilson taught the class and Nancy Hills proctored the exam. Thanks to both of them for their help.

Also, do not forget the boat show at Roberts Stadium the 23, 24, and 25<sup>th</sup>. This is where we recruit most students for the boating class. Many join our squadron after taking the class.

*SEO Sam Richey, SN*

## THE REALLY BIG "COW"



3 February — Evansville Bend's Change of Watch was held at Wolf's Banquet Center, Henderson, KY.

Nearly 50 members and guests attended the celebration and "change of watch" (COW).

District 24 was well represented by many officers. Cdr. William McDonald, and wife Toni. Education Officer, Tom Larimer and his wife, Janet. Asst. Education Officer and his wife, Carol; Administrative Officer, Keith Williams and his wife, Linda.



*D/24 Commander, Wm. McDonald installs new Cdr. Janice Elwood*



*The Mahrenholz's, The Trapps, and Tom Wood and his wife, Carol*



*SEO Sam Richey and Asst. SEO Steve Wilson take the oath of office*



*Janice Elwood presents outgoing Commander, Ron Steckler, with a gift.*



*Leroy and Janice had their picture taken in the "circus" theme*

Secretary Joe Venhoff and his wife, Pat, Treasurer Don Cloyd. And...incoming District Commander, currently Executive Officer — Evansville Bends' own... Dick Mahrenholz and his wife, Sandy.

In addition to the new Bridge Officers and spouses, EB members attending included Craig and Nancy Hills, Ron and Emma Lee Eberhart, Henry and Gay Graper, Jerry and Nola Bernstein,

John and Louise Habermel, Linda and Harry George, and outgoing Commander, Ron Steckler and wife, Tammy.

Incoming Commander, Janice Elwood was MC for the evening.

Commander McDonald's remarks centered around member retention and growth in our squadrons.

Specials thanks to Nola Bernstein for her special decorating and creative skills in presenting the "circus" theme at the Change of Watch.

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## **THREE RING CIRCUS UNDER THE BIG TOP**

### ***District 24—Change of Watch For Richard Mahrenholz***

Join us for our Three Ring Circus at the **Evansville Marriott Hotel** on Friday, 16 March 2007. We invite you to join us in the Hospitality Room for some relaxation and later join us for the Friday evening activities beginning with a **Circus Buffet** from 1800 – 1930 in the hotel ballroom.

Immediately following the Buffet there will be a *Circus Parade* (indoors) and a *Three Ring Circus* complete with clowns and various entertainment in the rings. *As always, we have surprises planned!* You could become a “clown for a night” and join our parade.



On Saturday the spouse/guest luncheon will be at 1100 in the hotel atrium. After lunch, you will have a choice of touring the Reitz Home Museum (a

historic Evansville home located in the historic district), the Evansville Museum, or shopping at the Mall on your own. Tickets @ \$5.00 each are necessary for the Reitz Home Museum and may be purchased at the door. We will provide transportation to the Reitz Home and the Evansville Museum.

Saturday afternoon members (and guests) are invited to attend the Business Meeting to hear a presentation on the LST 325 by Bruce Voges, Treasurer of the LST 325 Memorial Association.

Saturday activities will conclude with a cocktail reception followed by the Awards Banquet and more hospitality. We are looking forward to a very entertaining weekend and hope you will join us. Registration information will be mailed to you in the District 24 Newsletter, 24th Bridge.

## BOAT SHOW IS A COMIN' ROUND THE BEND



The OBC Boat Show will be headin' to Roberts Stadium on February 23, 24 and 25.

Evansville Bend will be participating again, registering people to take our Boat Smart Class. We will need members to work at the booth for 2 hour time slots. This is a fun way to get acquainted with fellow EB members and promote our Boat Smart Classes that will start on March 6 for four Tuesdays.

Keep your calendar “open” so you can help us at our display. Call P/C Ron Steckler to volunteer— 473-0107.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

- February 23 - 25 Booth at Boat Show
- March 8 - D/24 COW planning meeting at Hornville Tavern
- March 16 - 18 - D/24 Change of Watch here in Evansville Marriott
- April 18—Squadron Dinner Meeting

See our “calendar” on our EB website for more detailed information.