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Evansville Bend Power Squadron

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Wayne Hart Returns for a Three-peat to Discuss Weather at Weinbach's Cafe



He's back. Wayne Hart, Meteorologist for WEHT News 25 Television returns for his third engagement to be our featured speaker for our Wednesday, March 19th dinner meeting at Weinbach's Cafeteria. Social time 6pm..and dining at 7pm.

Wayne will be discussing.... weather, what else!! Wayne always has a very informative presentation. Everyone always enjoys his outgoing personality and professionalism.

We will be going through the cafeteria line which includes; **one**

entree (the typical choices for Wednesday include fried chicken, chicken fried steak, catfish, baked cod, pork cutlets, roast beef, etc.) **two sides** (your choice), **the salad bar, bread, and drink.** At the cash register, tell them you are with the Power Squadron. They will be running a tab on us. The price is maximum \$12.75. There will be a cash bar with servers taking orders and delivering drinks.

Come to the meeting room before going through the food line.

Commander's Corner



Greetings Squadron Members!

As your new Commander, I am excited about the upcoming year for Evansville Bend. I

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Administrative Officer:	Lt/C Rick Moore, S	(618-647-2405)
Secretary/Treasurer:	P/D/C Janice Elwood, JN	(401-8300)
Education Officer:	Lt/C Steve Wilson, S	(477-2814)

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am very pleased with the efforts of our new bridge so far. We already met twice to begin planning an exciting year of activities.

The new year began with a fantastic change of watch. The Change of Watch was held at the St. Mary's Manor in Evansville. Special thanks to Sally Frazier and Janice Elwood for all of their help in providing and setting up decorations for our "COW" theme. With cow centerpieces, cow placemats, a cow piñata, a dancing cow, and a "milk toast", a good time was had by all.

Our next activity was the annual Evansville Boat Show on February 22 – 24 at Roberts Stadium. Thank you to all of the EB members that helped at the boat show. I especially appreciate Sam Richey and Richard Rombauer for setting up and tearing down the booth, as well as Janice for all of her help organizing our work schedule.

Next up is the safe boating course. As Boat Smart is no longer available from the USPS, we will be teaching a very similar course this year: America's Boating Course (ABC.) The course will begin on Tuesday, March 11. If you know somebody that might be interested in the course, please encourage them to come to St. Marks every Tuesday through April 1. Education Officer Steve Wilson could also use your help proctoring the course.

We have many exciting plans for our squadron over the several months. Our bridge looks forward to serving you!
Yours in Safe Boating,
Cdr. Keith Gehlhausen - S

Education Update



I am looking forward to the next year as your SEO, and, I am hoping to have several different classes for the remainder of the year. First off, I want to thank all the volunteers who manned our booth at the Tri-State Boat and Sport show and, we have several new prospects signed up to take our new ABC Boating Course. This, of course, allows us to help get the safe boating message to where it needs to be, out in the boating public, and hopefully we can recruit new members as well.

Our new ABC course will begin Tuesday, March 11, 2008 at 6:30 PM at St. Marks Church, and run each Tuesday night thru April 1, 2008. Our instructors will be Sam Richey, Henry Graper, and Wayne Gundry. We also need proctors for all four Tuesday nights as well.

During the next year each of us need to come up with ideas on how to recruit new members into our squadron. We have several events coming up in the next year, along with our monthly meetings, and we all have boating friends who are not members (yet.)!

Steve Wilson, SEO.



The BIG COW 2008



D/24 Cdr. Dick Mahrenholz swears in Squadron Commander, Keith Gehlhausen



Jay and Suzie Picking converse with Rick and Vernia Moore



Dorothy Gehlhausen with 2 Sea Scouts that were our "Color Guard".

Evansville Bend's **COW 2008** was a huge success. In fact, we partied until the cows came home.



DEO Tom Woods administers the "oath" to SEO Steve Wilson.

Almost all of the D/24 Bridge attended as well as many EB members. D/C Richard Mahrenholz, a member of our squadron, did the honors of inducting the new officers.

Our Change of Watch this year was held at the St. Mary's Manor.



Thanks to Sally Frazier for creating the COW theme and decorations. An animated, dancing cow on the big screen welcomed everyone. COW themed balloons,

placements and table decorations completed the theme.

One highlight of the evening was D/C Dick Mahrenholz attempting to break a piñata while he was blindfolded. After several swings, a couple of hits and no breakage, we retired the piñata intact.

A pictorial retrospective slide presentation of our squadron's events from Cdr. Janice Elwood's year was also presented.

It was a great night and a great start for a brand new year for Evansville Bend Power Squadron.

See more pictures on our website.

2008 Officers/Committees

Commander: Keith Gehlhausen

Executive Officer:
Richard Rombauer

Squadron Education Officer:
Steve Wilson

Administrative Officer: Rick Moore

Secretary/Treasurer:
Janice Elwood

Auditing

Sandy Mahrenholz	1 year
Leroy Elwood	2 years
Anne Trapp	3 years

At Large Committee

Ron Eberhart	1 year
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Dorothy Gehlhausen	2 years
Karen Rombauer	3 years

Rules Committee

Dick Mahrenholz	1 year
John Trapp	2 years
Leroy Elwood	3 years

Nominating Committee

Suzy Picking
Wayne Gundry
Sam Richey

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 16—Regular Squadron meeting—location TBA.

THANKS TO ALL OF THE BOAT SHOW WORKERS

Special thanks to all members who attended the OBC Boat Show.

We registered many people who will be attending our upcoming Public Boating Class starting March 11th for 4 weeks.

PROCTORS ARE NEEDED.

Several proctors will be needed to assist at our Public Boating Course, Tuesday, March 11th at St. Mark's Church. This will be the first evening for the class and several members will be need to help the new students. Call SEO Steve Wilson to volunteer. 812- 477-2814