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From the Helm



Thank you to all that helped at the boat show. It was a well-attended this year. We fit almost 100 free PFDs for the youth thanks to the GRDA sponsorship. We also now have new members who have joined and more who have expressed an interest from the show. Several others signed up for the April ABC class.

Pegy & Bill Miller have volunteered to coordinate the Visitor's Center staffing for this summer. This community service gives our club the use of the facility and a free booth at the boat show. Take a look at the available dates in this issue, then give Pegy a call (918.964.1059).

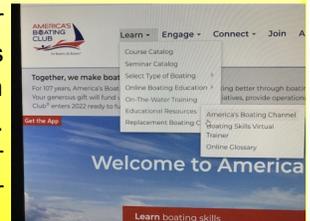
Thank you to the Taylor's, Blattner's, Brandt's, Starkman's and Pinkley's for volunteering to monitor the PFD loaner stations. We are still looking for volunteers for Twin Bridges State Park ramp.

Everyone has been enjoying Chef Todd's wonderful dinners at the dinner meetings, and we are looking forward to another one. If you have a prospective member, please invite them to join us for a dinner on the club . . . just let us know so we can officially invite them too.

See you for dinner April 21st

At our March dinner meeting, Bob Hunt showed two videos from America's Boating Channel which is a product of America's Boating Club that we help fund through dues along with grants.

Why not get on-the-water digitally and pick up free boating tips? It's simple, just put americasboatingclub.org in your browser. This will take you to the website of America's Boating Club. Next click on learn, select education resources, and finally click on America's Boating Channel. You will see several how-to videos such as how to stop your boat properly from plane, tips on docking-leaving or returning, anchoring, navigation rules, etc.



S ——— *Seamanship*

P ——— *Piloting*

AP ——— *Advanced Piloting*



JN ——— *Junior Navigator*

N ——— *Navigator*

SN ——— *Senior Navigator*





Successful boat show. Almost 100 PFDs given to kids thanks to the GRDA sponsorship. Nine individuals expressed an interest to join the club, and several signed up for the upcoming ABC class



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Our relationship with the Grand Lake Association

The Grand Lake Association has worked to promote, preserve, and protect Grand Lake since the association's inception in 1953. Now headquartered out of the Grand Lake Visitors Center on North Highway 59 in Grove, the Grand Lake Association (GLA) continues to work to promote Grand Lake not just to benefit the association members, but to benefit the entire Grand Lake region and all the surrounding communities.

The relationship between the Grand Lake Association and the Americas Boating Club- Grand Lake began before the squadron obtained our charter in January 29, 2000. We used the original GLA building as our organizational meeting place. Our early minutes of the squadron charter development will note that these meetings were held at the earlier location of GLA about a mile south of the present location. Since that time our relationship has been very beneficial to both organizations.

Many of our educational programs have been held in the present building. We have been allotted space to display the various awards won by the squadron over the past twenty years, and a prominent position for our Prince Henry Award.

The relationship between the two organizations has not been one way. This relationship began as one of the organizations originally financially supporting the new building. Over the years we have provided funding for such items as window coverings for the main meeting room which includes the central location, the map of Grand Lake. We have funded chairs for the room previously at the GLA building. We also financially supported the new monument sign and sign board in front of the building. As a de facto member of GLA we have access to space in the Grand Lake Boat Show, Christmas Parade and several other of the events sponsored by GLA during the year.

Early during this relationship, we were asked if we could act as hosts for the facility during the summer months on a bi-weekly basis. Since 2001 we have fulfilled this obligation supporting greeting of visitors to Grand Lake. As many of the members will relate this has resulted in a very interesting experience for us. The visitor center draws people from the four states area around the lake as well as visitors from around the world. The draw of the lake is for many reasons. Mostly it is the visitor wanting information concerning the events during the weekend. Next are those who have relatives past or present that have lived on the lake and provided interest in those visiting looking for a retirement home. There are also those from many places just wanting information about the lake. Our involvement also provides our new members with information not previously known.

So, what is all this about. It is our 22nd season of providing [volunteers](#) to act as hosts for the summer season. The summer season is defined as that period of the summer between Memorial Day and Labor Day. The commitment is for just one day a summer on specific Saturdays (10am – 3pm) and Sundays (12noon – 3pm). This year we have a organizer with lots of previous experience. No one willing to work will be thrown into the situation without proper orientation and support. It can be done whether you are new to the club or one of the “old timers.” At future meetings and group gatherings signup sheets will be provided for those of you would like to give this a try. Get another couple and the four of you host a session.

If you have any questions and/or would like to volunteer for one of the dates, you may contact:
Peggy Miller, 918-964-1059 or email at pegymiller74344@aol.com



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SIGN UP SHEET - G L A Host - 2022

	Assignment Date/Time -- Name	Mobile Phone - Text Y/N
May 28 -Saturday	Morning Session 10 AM - Noon	
	Frank & Pat Janiga	
May 28 - Saturday	Afternoon Session Noon - 3 PM	
	Micki and Kevin Kamarath	
May 29 - Sunday	Afternoon Session Noon - 3 PM	
	Harvey and Marge Blattner	
	Larry and Mary Ann Stout	
May 30 - Monday	Morning Session 10 AM - Noon	
	Earl and Arlene Starkman	
	Larry and Mary Ann Stout	
May 30 - Monday	Afternoon Session Noon - 3 PM	
	Jim and Cindy Reynolds	
June 11- Saturday	Morning Session 10 AM - Noon	
June 11 - Saturday	Afternoon Session Noon - 3 PM	
June 12 - Sunday	Afternoon Session Noon - 3 PM	
	Harvey and Marge Blattner	
June 25 - Saturday	Morning Session 10 AM - Noon	
	Art and Susan Brandt	
June 25- Saturday	Afternoon Session Noon - 3 PM	
	Jon and Brenda Murphy	
June 26 - Sunday	Afternoon Session Noon - 3 PM	



July 9 - Saturday	Morning Session 10 AM - Noon	
July 9 - Saturday	Afternoon Session Noon - 3 PM	
July 10 - Sunday	Afternoon Session Noon - 3 PM	
July 23- Saturday	Morning Session 10 AM - Noon Earl and Arlene Starkman	
July 23- Saturday	Afternoon Session Noon - 3 PM	
July 24 - Sunday	Afternoon Session Noon - 3 PM	
Aug 6 - Saturday	Morning Session 10 AM - Noon	
Aug 6 - Saturday	Afternoon Session Noon - 3 PM	
Aug 7 - Sunday	Afternoon Session Noon - 3 PM	
Aug 20 - Saturday	Morning Session 10 AM - Noon	
Aug 20 - Saturday	Afternoon Session Noon - 3 PM	
Aug 21 - Sunday	Afternoon Session Noon - 3 PM	
Sept 3 - Saturday	Morning Session 10 AM - Noon	
Sept 3 - Saturday	Afternoon Session Noon - 3 PM	
Sept 4 - Sunday	Afternoon Session Noon - 3 PM	
Sept 5 - Monday	Morning Session 10 AM - Noon	
Sept 5 - Monday	Afternoon Session Noon - 3 PM	





Twenty-six ABC-GL members attended the St. Patrick's Day dinner and meeting on March 17.



Your editor didn't get a pic of everyone . . . I'll try to do better next time.



Did you know???

By P/D/C Larry Stout SN-IN



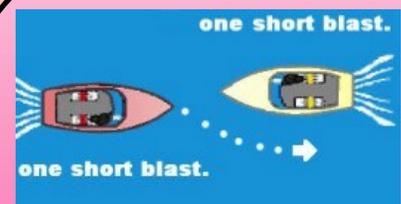
Sound producing devices are required by law to be on your boat. This may be a horn or whistle. For small boats and personal watercraft, a plastic whistle is the simplest way to satisfy the requirement. The use of sound signals provides information to other boats about your intended maneuver.

One short blast (one second duration) indicates altering course to starboard when meeting or crossing, leaving the other vessel to your port side.

Two short blasts (one second duration repeated twice) indicates altering the course to port when meeting or crossing, leaving the other vessel to your starboard side.

The danger signal is five short blasts (one second duration repeated five times). This signal may be used to alert an inattentive boater to the danger of a collision or perhaps of an obstacle they can't see if they continue their course.

Consider yourself invited to join the local boating club to have fun, plus the opportunity to take courses online or in the classroom to improve your boating skills and knowledge. Visit us online at usps.org/grandlake and send us an email with your contact information. Also visit us at Facebook: America's boating club-grand lake for more information.



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Where our Money Goes

Treasurer's Report

Checking Account Balance on February 28 was \$12,558.73

That balance includes the following Specified Funds:

- \$3,678 Education Budget for 2022
- \$38 Raffle Fund
- \$28.85 Grant money – for life jackets and safety education

This leaves \$8813.88 in Unspecified Funds

We have budgeted \$6,935.00 of that amount for expenses in 2022.

February Income	
Member dues	\$30
Member reimbursement	\$375
Total February Income	\$405
February Expenses	
February dinner meeting	486.71
Grand Lake Sports Center (life jackets)	\$4976.00
Bank Maintenance fee	\$3.00
Total February Expenses	\$5465.71



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