



**Adopt-A-Beach Clean-up**  
*By Cdr Bob Leatherwood, S*

Saturday, September 24<sup>th</sup> was the fall Adopt-A-Beach cleanup, and several members participated, along with coordinator, **P/C Claire McDonald**. This is an extremely worthwhile event that is sponsored twice a year by the Texas General Land Office, and it's amazing how much you can bag up in just a short while. It IS definitely work, but wow, what a sense of satisfaction when you walk away seeing all the STUFFED bags the group has managed to REMOVE from our Texas beach!

This year it actually WAS on the beach at Surfside in Freeport, TX, which was nice because we had a much nicer view than just the garbage we were picking up. The weather was beautiful, and it was a great day to be on the beach, even if we just got to watch the waves rolling in. Attending were, **P/C Claire McDonald, P/D/C Scott McDonald, Lt/C Bob Stevenson, Lt/C Phyllis Stendebach, 1st Lt Carl Stendebach** and myself. Afterwards, we all had a wonderful time and a great lunch at "The Red Snapper Inn Restaurant." The lunch was courtesy of coordinator, **P/C Claire McDonald** and I know the entire group was and is still thankful to Claire for a wonderful day on the water!

Thanks to all for another "WELL DONE" effort!



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**Poop Sheet October 2011**

- October 5  
Board of Directors Meeting – Home Port
- October 8  
VSC – Endeavour Marina, Clear Lake  
With Sea Scouts
- October 10  
Happy Columbus Day, HSPS!
- October 13  
USPS University Seminar – Knots, Bends  
and Hitches – Home Port
- October 13-16  
D/21 Fall Conference – San Antonio
- October 15  
HSPS General Meeting – M/V *Sam Houston*
- October 21-23  
Double Bayou Rendezvous
- October 31  
Happy Halloween, HSPS!
- November 2  
Board of Directors Meeting – Home Port
- November 5  
D/21 Picnic/Paddling Event – Bay Area Park  
VSC – April Plaza Marina, Lake Conroe  
With Sea Scouts
- November 9  
HSPS General Meeting – Italian Night  
Home Port
- November 10  
USPS University Seminar – Marine Radar –  
Home Port
- November 12  
ABC Class – Home Port
- November 16  
Leadership Development Class – Home Port
- November 19  
Flounder Fishing – Clear Lake
- November 24  
Happy Thanksgiving, HSPS!

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### PRAYER

The gleaming yellow stalks spread out over  
plentiful fields;  
The rich red goodness of fruit on the vines;  
The sea of green stalks clamoring toward the  
horizon,  
All these things, God, we thank you for.

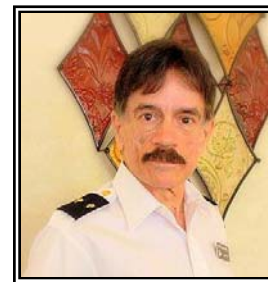
As we labor through the rows of sweet corn  
and new rye,  
As we winnow and thresh the bountiful grain,  
We sing songs of praise and thanks and wonder  
For all the goodness which you have lain at  
our feet.

We pray, too, for worthiness in your sight, oh  
God,  
For the gift of abundance you have provided,  
May we ever more thank and praise your  
goodness  
And walk in your Way for the rest of our days.  
Amen  
P/D/C Scott D. McDonald,

## COMMANDER'S CORNER



October 2011 Bay Neigh  
Cdr Bob Leatherwood, S

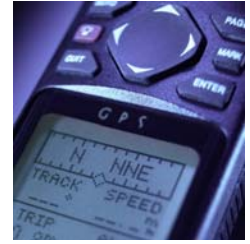


October, HERE we come, and after a very successful September! As I said at the Change of Watch, one of the things I intended to focus on was to try to bring in monetary donations and to send out some well-conceived "grant" letters. We began this watch year with a deficit budget and I made it a MAJOR goal to help lower that deficit. I've already reported the donations we've received in earlier months, due to the hard work from our PR Department, chaired by **Lt Rolf Hogfeldt** and assistant chair **P/C Claire McDonald**. But now, and much later in the year, I'm even happier to report that we received a check in the mail for \$1,000.00 – a grant to help underwrite the cost of our *Bay Neigh* and other printing costs as well. Many thanks to **Rolf** and all who participated in making our PR campaigns successful!

We also had our September Dinner Meeting at Los Tios on Westheimer, and it was a delightful evening. The food AND margaritas are wonderful there, and we had several newcomers attending, which is always a pleasure. New member **Randall Hack** was there and was sworn in. ALSO, and something a Commander doesn't always get to do – **Ray Kincaid** was on hand to receive his 25 year pin! Congratulations **Ray!**



Enough about September though. It's October, and once again, we've been offered a private cruise through the Houston Ship Channel, aboard the *M/V Sam Houston*. Thanks again to the Port of Houston Authority for making this annual October Dinner Meeting special, and for letting us spend the evening privately, aboard ship and with up to 65 friends and family members. Be sure to get your RSVP's in and please (due to the higher security since 9-11-2001), when you send me the names, they need to be listed in your RSVP as they appear on your driver's license or picture ID. RSVP as soon as you can to [icemangems@att.net](mailto:icemangems@att.net), because I'll be leaving several days before to attend the District Fall Conference in San Antonio.



## **Education News** **Lt/C Robert Campbell, JN**

### **Advanced Grade and Elective Course News**

We have a very active Fall schedule this year!

**Seamanship** – So far we have nine students registered – 5 men and 4 women. Way to go ladies! **Rick Fisher** teaches this essential course, and I am very pleased to see more women involved with boating education. Hopefully, soon we will add some more women to our instructional staff.

**Piloting** – We had a great turnout this summer for our special Seamanship course, and the graduates are moving forward to Piloting. We have eight students registered! **Scott McDonald** will be teaching and **Al McCarthy** will assist since it is a large class. We're glad to have Al back and active in the Squadron. His experience will add a lot to our education department.

**Junior Navigation** – We have two students who are completing their JN work and sights. **Bob Smith** and **Ozzie Osborne** will be helping them get it all done.

**Navigation** – We have an unusually large class for this challenging course. We have four new students and two students who have started the class but need to finish some work to complete it. **John Glaeser** will be teaching and has suggested a bi-weekly class format since there is quite a bit of homework involved.

**Marine Electrical Systems** – Four students have registered for this extremely practical course taught by **Bill Haddock**. If you own a boat and it has a battery on it, then you need to take this course.

Adding it all up, we have 29 students involved in boating education this Fall. A very special thanks to our great instructors. They are, of course, volunteers – volunteers committed to boating safety and who are making a difference in our community. If you see one of these guys, be sure to let them know how much they are appreciated.

### **Public Boating Safety Course News**

**ABC3 – Boating Safety** – After our big turnout for Sea Scouts in August (26 scouts and adults), we only had one participant for our September ABC3 course. We never really know how many will show up for this course. Thanks again to **Carl Stendebach**, **Ray Kinkaid**, **Denny Fegan**, and **Scott McDonald** for making this class happen.

The next America's Boating Course class is Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup>.

### **USPS Seminars**

Our September 8<sup>th</sup> seminar taught by **Denny Fegan** was "How to Read a Chart". We only had one participant.

Our next seminar will be on Thursday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, and the topic will be "Knots, Bends and Hitches".

**It's not too late to join a class!** Let me know if you are interested. Call me at (713) 594-1876 or email [seo.hsp@comcast.net](mailto:seo.hsp@comcast.net) if I can assist you in furthering your boating education.

## September 2011 Executive Committee Meeting Houston Sail and Power Squadron

**Roster 2011:** Ed Nagel's plan for the mid-year update was discussed. The update will be available in about a week to download off Sail Angle. A link to the location is already available on the "About HSPS" page of the Squadron website. The protection of member personal information will be provided by the username/password controls of Sail Angle.

### Executive Department: Cdr/XO/AO Robert Leatherwood, S

- **Cooperative Charting:** Nothing to report from P/C Dick Snapp, AP. Next Co-Op Charting event is scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 18<sup>th</sup>.
- **Vessel Safety Checks:** No change since 7-12-2011.
  - Upcoming event: Saturday, September 17 at the Kemah Boardwalk Marina.
- **Public Relations:**
  - **Initiatives with Sea Scouts** Report on August Fleet Meeting by Larry Behrmann: relevant items included discussion of continuing to pursue VSCs, Co-op Charting, and another ABC3 class in Baytown in 2012.
  - Report on PR items "in the works" by Cdr Bob Leatherwood, S:
    - Update by Cdr Bob Leatherwood on plans being made to videotape portions of classes, dinner meetings and rendezvous: A test video was made and edited. The upcoming dinner meeting will be videotaped.
    - Update on Grant Letter progress by Cdr Bob Leatherwood: Letters requesting donations have been sent out, targeted at people in business who have boats.
    - Discussion on Bay Neigh rate scale. The Squadron will offer two months free for a commitment to run an ad for a year. Prices for ads larger than a business card will simply be multiples of the \$10 per issue charged for business card ads.
- **Website**
  - The "Events" section of the Home page has been updated as of September 5<sup>th</sup>. The fall course schedule has now been posted.
- **Software:**
  - New software has arrived and will be provided to purchasers at the dinner meeting.
  - The Squadron's GoToMeeting conferencing software license has expired. Lt/C Bob Stevenson found no free conferencing capability from USPS or listed on the USPS website. He reported success during the "trial run" using Larry Behrmann's 8x8 Virtual Meeting software, so that will be used for future virtual meetings.

### Education Department: Lt/C Robert Campbell, JN

- **Classes:**
  - Six Sea Scout students are taking the summer Seamanship course.
  - **Seminars:** How to Use a Chart – Sept. 8<sup>th</sup>
  - Report on special ABC 3 class that was in Baytown on Aug. 20
  - Any update on initiative with Leisure Learning by Robert Campbell?
  - Fall Classes will begin the week of September 26<sup>th</sup>, not the week of the 19<sup>th</sup>, since Robert will be out of town on the 19<sup>th</sup>. The website has been updated and known students have been notified of the change.
- **Boat Operator Certification:** P/C Denny Fegan, AP, provided information on early planning for a full certification program using the new USPS boat. A Stevenson/K. Fussell motion passed to conduct a full-up certification program running through April 2012. Initial plans are to conduct all the required seminars for Inland Navigator between now and April. The on-the-water portion may be conducted at Clear Lake Park in conjunction with Galveston Bay Sail and Power Squadron.

### Administrative Department: Cdr/XO/AO Robert Leatherwood, S

- **Membership:** Report from Scott McDonald: The Squadron now has two new members, including one Sea Scout. Chris Leavitt previously agreed to talk to Sea Scouts and leaders who took ABC3 about becoming members, however no report has been provided yet.
- **Bay Area Park Rendezvous November 5<sup>th</sup>:** An Ad Hoc committee was appointed to perform detailed planning, including the number of grills needed, their sources, and food planning. Members are Bob Leatherwood, Claire McDonald, Scott McDonald, Rolf Hogfeldt, Forrest Paddock, and Robert Campbell.

## September 2011 Executive Committee Meeting

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- **Upcoming Dinner Meetings:**
  - Sept. 14<sup>th</sup> Dinner Meeting at Los Tios.
  - Oct. 15<sup>th</sup> Dinner Meeting aboard MV *Sam Houston*
- **Upcoming Events:**
  - There was brief discussion about cancellation of the Redfish Raft-up on Sept. 4<sup>th</sup>, due to high winds and seas. Sea Scouts were also invited to participate on their own boats. We need a good notification system to ensure getting the word to Sea Scouts about late changes or cancellations. Bob Stevenson will propose a simple system to the Commander.
  - Governing Board Meeting in Greensboro – Sept. 14<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>
  - Fall classes begin on the week of Sept. 26<sup>th</sup>
  - Adopt-a-Beach cleanup - Sept. 24<sup>th</sup> (Saturday morning) in Surfside. P/C Claire McDonald will coordinate the event and provide details. Larry Behrmann will provide information on the Sea Scouts who will be participating.
  - Double Bayou Rendezvous is still on the calendar for the weekend of Oct. 21<sup>st</sup>. Robert Campbell and Denny Fegan will try to get to the site used in the past without grounding as happened the last time it was attempted (after Hurricane Ike rearranged the landscape). Denny will host the event if it can be held. [Ed. A good test run was made. It showed that boats that draw less than 4.5 feet can safely transit to the normal rendezvous location.]

### Treasurer's Department: Lt/C Phyllis W. Stendebach, P

- **Financial Report:** Financial report was submitted by Lt/C Phyllis Stendebach.
- **Electric Usage:** Running both Home Port A/C units at the same time has produced a jump in the rate charged and a significant increase in expense. Temporarily, a sign has been posted warning people not to start both within a few minutes of each other. One option for a long-term solution is a switch that will only permit one to be run at a time. Another option is to connect the a/c controller to the Smart Meter. No decision was made on the path to pursue.

### Secretary's Department: Lt/C Bob Stevenson, JN

- **Squadron Newsletter:**
  - Was mailed on Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup> and posted on the website.
- **Postage:** Mailing of the Bay Neigh is now being performed with separately purchased stamps, rather than having Postal Service personnel weigh the newsletter. First trial WAS successful and NONE were returned.

### Commander's Department: Cdr/XO/AO Robert Leatherwood, S

- **Update on the Kroger Neighbor-to-Neighbor program handouts at Kroger at Hwy 6 on Sept. 6:** 50-60 handouts resulted in about 20 people signing up to have Kroger donate a portion of their purchases to HSPS. These folks got HSPS logo water bottles. Kroger will be identified as a donor on the Squadron website and a donor sign will be hung in Home Port.
- Bob Stevenson discussed the need and value for updating/creating/delivering officer and committee chair Job Descriptions to the Nominating Committee.
- A very large donation has been received from a lawyer. The donor will be listed on the Squadron website and a donor sign will be hung in Home Port.

### Unfinished Business

- Report from P/C Denny Fegan on Nominating Committee progress. The committee has been contacting members. There are no volunteers to lead the Squadron as of now. Drastic action will be required if this is not solved. The committee will put together a document to send to the membership that describes the situation.

### New Business

- P/C Denny Fegan provided information on and recommended members purchase a good first aid book called Adventure Medical Kits – A Comprehensive Guide to Marine Medicine.

**September Dinner Meeting – Los Tios**  
Photos by Lt Jana Wesson, AP, Lt Rolf Hogfeldt and Cdr Bob Leatherwood, S



**40<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE NAMING OF POWER SQUADRON SPIT**  
**Cape Lookout National Seashore 10 September 2011**  
*Submitted by Lt/C Bob Stevenson, JN*

Forty years ago, a new name appeared on navigation charts of the North Carolina coast. The efforts of 20 Carolina squadrons of District 27 of the United States Power Squadrons® were recognized by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's National Ocean Survey, by officially naming a piece of land on Cape Lookout 2.5 miles north-northwest of the Cape Point as "Power Squadron Spit." It is on a true bearing from the lighthouse of about 270° or due West. Latitude: 34.6226 N Longitude: -076.524 W

This honor is in recognition of the Cooperative Charting Program of the United States Power Squadrons, which is conducted in close coordination with the Marine Chart Division, National Ocean Service. The program is a major public service of USPS. Under it, members supply information to the Marine Chart Division of NOS/NOAA leading to corrections to nautical charts, small craft charts, Coast Pilot publications and Small Craft Facilities. Our boating members also supply data on depth surveys, range status, and tidal current surveys. Damaged or misplaced Aids to Navigation are also reported. NOAA tells us that the Cooperative Charting Program is recognized as the most effective user-participation program in all of the Federal services.



**MOUNT UP AND RIDE TO SAN ANTONIO FOR THE  
DISTRICT 21 FALL CONFERENCE HOSTED BY  
SAN ANTONIO SAIL & POWER SQUADRON**

**When: Thursday - Sunday 13 - 16 October 2011**

**Where: San Antonio, TX at the El Tropicano Hotel - River walk  
110 Lexington Avenue, San Antonio TX**

**Rooms: \$99.00 (Self Parking is \$9.00 per day)**

Reserve your room before September 23 for guaranteed rate.

Rooms are held under reservation Code -

US Power Squadron District 21 Fall Conference

Toll Free number 877 - 214-9768 or

hotel website at [www.eltropicanohotel.com](http://www.eltropicanohotel.com).

Thursday evening: (Dress Code casual with walking shoes)  
1745 - 1900. There will be a cruise that will drop us off at the  
Mexican Manhattan Restaurant for dinner on the terrace  
overlooking the river. You will order your choice from the menu  
at your expense. After dinner a short leisurely stroll along the  
river to the hotel. For those who cannot make the short walk  
arrangements can be made to have you taken back to the hotel.  
Tickets for the river cruise are \$5.00 each but limited to 40  
persons. Get your registration in quickly. Members not taking  
the cruise are invited to join us at the restaurant for dinner.

Friday (Dress Code: Squadron Casual, USPS or Squadron  
Polo shirt, blazer optional.) Registration and Ships Store  
will be open from 0830 until 1700.

Lunch for all members and guests will be served. Hospitality  
Rooms will open at 1800 hours until ?

Council meeting from 1430 - 1630 all members of the D21  
Council are expected to attend.

Saturday (Dress Code: Uniform G or appropriate attire) Usual  
District Agenda. I do not have a District Agenda as of this  
writing

Registration 0830 - 1130

Ships Store 0830 - 1130

District Commander's reception 1730 - 1830

Margarita Party courtesy of San Antonio Sail And Power  
Squadron at SASPS' join Hospitality room 1730 - 1830.

Dinner and dancing 1900 - until ?

Dress: Your best western. A prize will be given to the most  
authentic western dress courtesy of your chairman Earl Gilley.

**RSVP for Conference by October 18th**

**REGISTRATION FORM  
D21 FALL CONFERENCE 2011**

Conference Registration - includes 3 meals  
includes: Friday lunch, Saturday members or social lunch  
including Saturday night country western dinner & dance

\$120.00 x \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_

Number attending \_\_\_\_\_  
Members Lunch \_\_\_\_\_ Social Lunch \_\_\_\_\_

Late Registration after 10 October \_\_\_\_\_

\$130.00 x \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_

River Cruise Event Thursday October 13 \_\_\_\_\_

\$5.00 x \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_

Individual Tickets if not registered for the entire conference  
Friday Lunch \_\_\_\_\_

\$40.00 x \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_

Saturday Members Lunch \_\_\_\_\_

\$35.00 x \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_

Saturday Social Lunch \_\_\_\_\_

\$35.00 x \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_

Saturday Night Dinner Dance \_\_\_\_\_

\$45.00 x \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_

Add \$5.00 to the individual tickets after October 10<sup>th</sup>.

Make Checks payable to D21 Fall Conference

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Phone: 210-655-5180 email: [phd6@earthlink.net](mailto:phd6@earthlink.net)

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Is this your first conference? Y or N

## October Dinner Meeting – Cruise on the M/V Sam Houston

Come help us celebrate the indomitable spirit of HSPS and the Port of Houston! Our October dinner meeting will be aboard the Port of Houston Authority's flagship vessel, the M/V *Sam Houston*, for a personal tour of the Houston Ship Channel.

We can take as many as 65, so you may invite your friends and family. This is one of our most popular venues each year, so we hope you can make it! Because of cut backs, the *Sam Houston* no longer is able to serve beer aboard the ship, so last year we held an impromptu "Tailgate" and those who wanted to brought their own beer and we socialized prior to boarding. It turned out to be a lot of fun, so if you'd like a beer or two before boarding, bring some and a few to share... ..but remember, none can be taken aboard ship.

**What:** October Dinner Meeting

**When:** Saturday, October 15, 2011

5:00 pm – "Tailgate" prior to boarding  
5:30 pm – Boarding begins (don't be late!)  
6:00 pm – Departure  
8:00 pm – Return

**Where:** M/V *Sam Houston*  
7300 Clinton Drive, Gate 8 (see map)

**Menu:**

Dinner from "Catering By George" – Gourmet Box Lunches, featuring assorted sandwiches, chips, fruit cups, and cookies.

Drinks: Free beverages, soft drinks and coffee, are provided by the Port of Houston Authority

**Cost:** \$15.00/person



RSVP by NOON on Wednesday, October 12: [icemangems@att.net](mailto:icemangems@att.net) or call Bob Leatherwood at (281) 879-6005. You must RSVP with all guest names by that time because I'll be leaving for the District Fall Conference in San Antonio! **ALSO – RSVP with ALL names as they appear on your photo ID!!!**

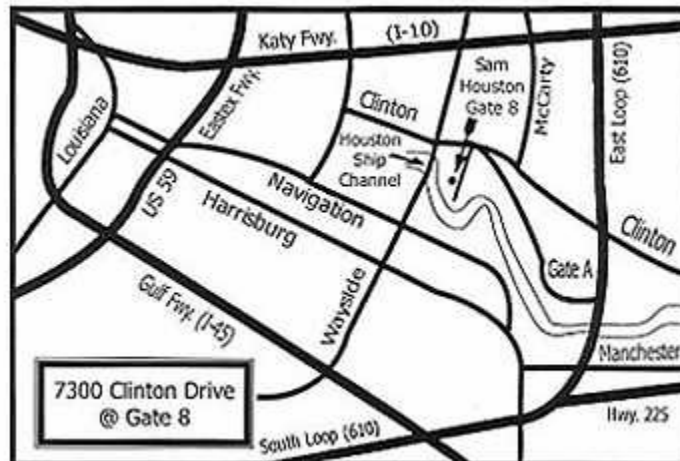
You can also sign up on our website at <http://uspshouston.org/>

**Important Notes:**

Because the Houston Ship Channel is a security zone, security regulations are in effect:

- Everyone must RSVP. All names will be submitted to the Port of Houston Authority in advance of the event.
- **Provide the full name as it appears on the person's ID!!!**
- A valid ID will be required for each passenger at the gate
- Security regulations also prohibit the carrying of any camera equipment aboard the M/V *Sam Houston* and the taking of photographs from aboard the ship is strictly prohibited.

***There are no exceptions to these security procedures!***



**Adopt-A-Beach Clean-up**  
 Photo by Cdr Bob Leatherwood, S



**Sponsors**

The Squadron is seeking tax-deductible donations to help defray the cost of boating safety course materials to the public as well as to help fund other necessary Squadron expenses. We can accept as donations cash or items the Squadron needs – as long as they do not result in a tax problem for the Squadron or donor. Sponsors can be companies, individuals in business, or simply individuals (including Members) who wish to help. All donors/Sponsors will be listed on the HSPS website. Please send a check or recommend potential company sponsors to Commander Bob Leatherwood, S. Make checks payable to HSPS. There is no cutoff date for the donations or suggestions for Sponsors. The search for annual Sponsors will continue indefinitely.

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If you have a story or experience that would be of interest to our members, please E-Mail pictures and stories to Jana Wesson at [beakboatgirl@me.com](mailto:beakboatgirl@me.com)

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### October Birthdays

Larry J. Smith	10/03
Julie R. Bleisch	10/05
Robert William Stevenson	10/05
Phyllis W. Stendebach	10/11
Kirby L. Harding	10/16
Ramesh Sadeghian	10/17
Marsha L. Smith	10/17
Michelle Edwards	10/20
Edwin John Roland	10/20
Rodney K. Castille	10/27
Victor W. Pardo	10/28
Robert J. Campbell	10/30
Patty A. Wilpers	10/30

### Get on the Water!

Maybe you're in between boats, or your boat has become a project boat, or you have a sailboat but want to do a little fishing. No worries, mate! Capt. Robert Campbell is offering "free" fishing and boating charters to HSPS members, family and friends.

**You provide:** Fuel & Food

**I provide:** Boat, Tackle, Ice & Water

Bay fishing or offshore: fly fishing, wadefishing, kayak ferries, drift fishing, jetty fishing, or just sightseeing.

For more info contact:  
Capt Robert Campbell  
713-594-1594  
[seo.hsps@comcast.net](mailto:seo.hsps@comcast.net)

### D/21 Kayak Picnic



On Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup>, we'll be in beautiful Bay Area Park for a leisurely day on the water AND a cookout. We'll have 4 WaveWalk 500 Super Kayaks available for anyone and everyone to take out on the water for a quick spin. Armand Bayou is an exceptionally scenic spot, and is listed as one of the top paddling trails in Texas. With water birds galore and beautiful foliage, it's hard to beat.

Set back in the woods on the shores of Armand Bayou, Bay Area Park sits in a beautiful setting. There are playground structures for the kids and several dozen picnic tables and barbecue pits, under the shade of towering oak trees. Walkers can wander the trails among the woods, stroll out onto the pier for a great view of the lush bayou, take a rest in the shade of one of the gazebos, and dally through the botanical garden. A pond is home to many ducks and geese, who are not shy about wanting to be fed. Tennis courts are available.

We'll be charcoal grilling hamburgers and hot dogs with all the fixins! Soft drinks and bottled water will be on hand, but sorry, there's no alcohol allowed in the park??? Opaque water bottles available on request!

Bring your fishing poles, kayaks or canoes (AND Life Vests), but no gas engines allowed.

Dog Friendly, So grab Fido –There's a fenced in dog park!!

**Where:** Bay Area Park  
7500 Bay Area Blvd.  
Houston, TX 77058

**Time:** 10:00 am-4:00 pm

**Menu:** Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Chips, Cole Slaw and LOTS of Cookies!  
Soft drinks and bottled water

**Price:** \$10.00 per person--under 12, free!

Please RSVP by Wednesday, November 2nd to Cdr. Bob Leatherwood at [icemangems@att.net](mailto:icemangems@att.net) or call Bob at 281-879-6005

Please let us know if you'd like assistance finding overnight accommodations.