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Bring the Family and Join Us for

The Coast Guard Spouses' Association of Southeastern Connecticut's

Annual Welcome Aboard Picnic

Saturday August 14, 2010 From 3-6 PM

Stonington Lodge 369 Taugwonk Road, Stonington, CT

Directions:

Take I-95 North or South to exit 91. At end of ramp go left from the South and right from the North. Proceed for approximately 2 miles. You will see a small sign and entrance (on your right) for the Coast Guard Foundation, and Stonington Country Club. Make a right at this entrance. Proceed along a single lane drive past the country club and golf course for approx. 3/4 mile. You will come to a "Y" in the drive; go right. The field, and the lodge will be directly in front of you.

Come for great food, a chance to get to know people in your area, activities for the kids, and learn all about what the Spouses club offers.

To RSVP please see our facebook page at

[http://www.facebook.com/The Coast Guard Spouses Association of SE CT](http://www.facebook.com/TheCoastGuardSpousesAssociationofSECT)

Email info@cgspouses-sect.org Or call Patricia Pruett 860-245-5583



Activities & Events

Many Thanks for a Successful Reporting In Day

Reporting-In Day was very successful for us and I want to thank Marion Gesele, Raena Kemp, Meredith Novak, Alexis Plank and Tricia Pruett for their help. We sold denim shirts, tote bags, hats, the Cats Meow Eagle and Hamilton Hall, cookbooks and napkins.

We will be selling our items Homecoming Weekend, Oct. 1 & 2 and Parents' Weekend, Oct. 8 & 9.

Raena Kemp has volunteered to co-chair Ways & Means with me and I appreciate that very much. I want to thank Marion Gesele for all the work she did as the co-chair during the past year!

Please Consider Volunteering to Bake Cadet Cakes

Summer is coming to end and that means we are preparing for another successful year of baking cadet cakes. The Cadet Cake program is always our biggest fundraiser and each month during the school year, we count on spouses like you to help us bake, frost, and deliver special occasion cakes to the cadets.

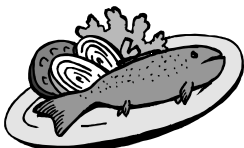
If you're not the Martha Stewart type, no need to be discouraged! Betty Crocker is our best friend! The Spouse's Club will supply you with cake mix, frosting and a cake box. Just add the eggs, oil and water to make the perfect cake!

Please contact Allison McSorley at allison.mcsorley@yahoo.com if you are interested in baking cakes this coming year.



Lunch Bunch at Skipper's Dock

Let's enjoy lunch on the water yet again before the lazy days of summer are gone! Join us at Skippers Dock in Stonington Borough, located at 66 Water Street, on Wednesday, August 25, at 11:30AM. Please RSVP to Sharnel Duarte at (860) 326-5405 or sharchar5@yahoo.com.



Club Notes

Care Packages to the CG Cutter BARANOF

Time to start thinking of our CG men overseas! Our sponsorship for 2010-2011 is the CG Cutter BARANOF. The crew enjoys any and all items that we send, but a few particular items have been requested:

- Holiday Themes (specific to the month the package is sent)
- energy drinks and powdered sports drinks
- granola bars
- gum
- GROUND coffee (Starbucks and Dunkin Donuts – no grinder on board)
- DVDs
- office supplies (mechanical pencils, pens, sticky notes, etc)

While office supplies may seem like an unusual request, the procurement process of those items can take months!

Please keep these requests in mind when purchasing items for the care packages, but also feel free to be creative and have some fun buying items for the crew!

The crew really enjoys all of the items we send, but most importantly they appreciate the support from people back home.

Please note that pork or pork by-products are prohibited in care packages going to the Middle East. Also, no chocolate or items that will melt are allowed. Please contact Meredith Novak at (507) 271-1730 if you have any questions.



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Coast Guard Spouses' Association of Southeastern Connecticut

Membership Form 2010 - 2011

The US Coast Guard Spouses Association of Southeastern Connecticut strives to provide a friendly atmosphere that promotes the moral and welfare of our Coast Guard personnel and their families.

Membership entitles you to vote on CGSA of SECT related issues, receive e-mail updates, Facebook group website, attend meetings and events as desired.

If you would like to join, please complete this form and return it with your annual dues by October 1, 2010. The membership fee covers your dues for the club year, August 2010-June 2011. Make checks payable to: CGSA of SE CT. Please mail the membership form and payment to:

Coast Guard Spouses Association of SECT
ATTN: Membership
USCGA - Chase Hall
P.O. Box A-25, 15 Mohegan Avenue
New London, CT 06320

Membership Type (check one):

- _____ *Regular* \$25 [All spouses of CG Members & Public Health Service Workers (active, reserve, retired, deceased); CG Members (active, reserve, retired); Spouses of personnel of other services on active duty with the Coast Guard and any other person interested in the purpose of the club, including CGA faculty.]
- _____ *Personal Business advertisement in directory and on website* \$10 [In addition to Regular, Associate, or Honorary Membership, include business card for ad]
- _____ *Honorary* Free [Spouses of former Admirals and Superintendents of CGA residing in CT; Current area Ombudsmen]

Please print the following information:

Please check here if you would NOT like your name to appear in the directory

Name _____ Birthday (month/day) _____

Spouse's Name _____ Duty Station _____ Rotation Year _____

Please check here if your spouse is retired

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zipcode _____

Email address _____

How would you prefer to receive the association's monthly newsletter? Please check one: Mail Email (please be sure to include email address)

Phone number _____ Cell Phone Number (optional) _____

List child(ren) below. If child is interested in providing babysitting, they can be added to our Babysitter list.

Name(s) _____	Year of birth _____	Babysitter Y/N _____
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Please check any activity that you would be interested in. This list is subject to change.

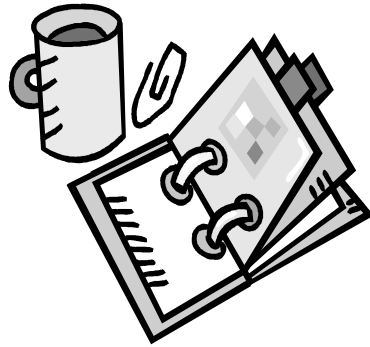
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| _____ Cadet Cakes Bake/Frost | _____ Secret Pals | _____ Ways & Means |
| _____ Crafts | _____ Sunshine Meals | _____ Bowling |
| _____ Hospitality, Luncheons, Socials | _____ International Dinner | _____ Lunch Bunch |
| _____ Care Packages to CG Cutters overseas | | |

Cadet Cakes is a major fundraising activity for the CGSA and we hope everyone might volunteer to bake/frost cakes.

Please indicate month(s) you would be willing to bake/frost cakes: _____

President's Corner

Hello and welcome to summer! I hope you have all been finding a way to stay cool during the heat waves, had fun if you went on vacation, or still had fun if you had a "staycation". We have some great events coming up in August. Coast Guard Day Picnic is Friday August 6 at Lake Com-pounce in Bristol. I missed last years but will be there this year getting the word out about our Association.



August 14 is our Welcome Picnic at Stonington Lodge. I hope everyone can attend to welcome new members and see old friends. If you run into anyone who doesn't know about us or is transferring in

please bring them along. If possible, please RSVP on our facebook page or email info@cgspouses-sect.org so we have a headcount for food. It's a great time to see what's going on next year and we still have some committee chair positions open if anyone is interested.

We would also like to hear from anyone who has ideas or suggestions on events for the coming year. We hope to be able to incorporate a little something for everyone. I hope you enjoy the rest of your summer!

Erish Pruett
President

2010-2011 Leadership Roster

Honorary President

Betsy Burhoe

Sunshine
Ways & Means

Allison McSorley	848-3798
Pat Simpson	739-4033
Raena Kemp	227-5216

Executive Board

President	Patricia Pruett	(680) 245-5583
Vice President	Alexis Plank	333-1666
Treasurer	Christy Newell	287-2282
Recording Secretary	Laura Egan	405-8114
Corresponding Secretary	Jennifer Calhoun	(202) 309-5480

Babysitting
Bowling
Care Packages

Special Committees

Volunteer Needed

Janice Norton	437-3671
Meredith Novak	(507) 271-1730
Christy Newell	287-2282

Standing Committees

Awards & Scholarships	Jill Billiau	391-5601
Cadet Cakes	Allison McSorley	848-3798
	Megan Bennett	447-3345
Luncheons/Socials/ Hospitality	Jamie Luzader	
Membership	Laura Egan	405-8114
News & Views	Tiffani Kaminski	(401) 348-8789
Parliamentarian	Kim Davis	434-7047

Crafts
Family Support Fund
Historian/Publicity
Lunch Bunch
MWR Representative
OCS Representative
Retiree Rep.
Secret Pals
Website

Volunteer Needed

Jill Billiau	391-5601
Volunteer Needed	
Sharnel Duarte	326-5405
Pat Simpson	739-4033
Volunteer Needed	
Sue Branagan	691-1285
Nova Seals	235-8072
Jill Billiau	391-5601

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First Class Postage

Be sure to add info@cgsouples-sect.org to your email address book to ensure that all CGSA emails and newsletters always go straight to your inbox.

Mark Your Calendar!



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August Lunch Bunch ✦ August 25
Homecoming Weekend ✦ October 1 & 2
Parents' Weekend ✦ October 8 & 9

Having trouble keeping up with all of our events? Want to hear about last-minute additions or changes to our schedule, or give your input on our event planning? **Become a Fan of CSGSA on Facebook!** Just sign in to Facebook (or visit www.facebook.com and create a free account) and search "Coast Guard Spouses' Association of Southeastern Connecticut."