

2009 USPS District 20 Fall Conference

Hospitality Challenge

Hospitality rooms can be hosted in a whirlpool (\$149.99) or executive (\$109.99) suite. Room reservations should be made through Georgios Comfort Inn. Choose a ghost ship for a theme by calling the harbormaster of Haunted Harbor, Mike Corbett, at 815.886.9799. He has information on the ghost ships available to help you make your selection.

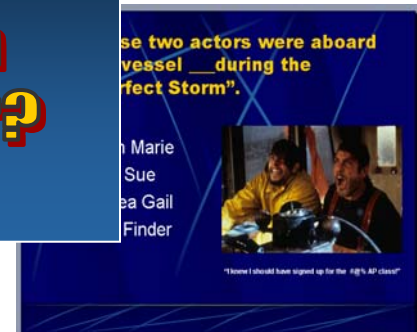
A Hospitality Room Challenge will be held Friday night after the All-Conference Friday Night Social and popular game show "Who Wants to be a Mariner". Visitors to Haunted Harbor will be given clues about each ghost ship moored for the evening. Participants with the most correct answers will be entered into a prize drawing. Winners will be announced at the luncheon on Saturday.

Join the USPS District 20 members who will witness ghost ships come alive in the Haunted Harbor on October 23-25, 2009 at Georgios Comfort Inn/Conference Center in Orland Park, IL.

Live Entertainment Featuring
Renowned Vocalist Kym Frankovelgia



All-Conference
Friday Night Social



Saturday Seminars

The Chicago Police Marine and Helicopter Unit *Service and Protection on the Water*

Lt. Peter J. Piazza

Commanding Officer - Marine and Helicopter Unit
Chicago Police Department

The Chicago Police Marine Unit patrols 81 miles of lakefront and 27 miles of riverway within the City limits. Marine Unit officers answer 500 distress calls on average each year and respond to on-view and marine band VHF emergency channel situations. Lieutenant Piazza will be addressing topics related to the scope and duties of the Chicago Police Marine Unit, special safety initiatives, the impact of the 2016 Olympics, and personal experiences on duty.



A Working Vessel's Perspective *Barge Navigation and Pleasure Craft Safety*

John Kindra

Kindra Lake Towing & Barge
Chicago, Illinois

In 1983 John Kindra began a barge service company in South Chicago operating on the Calumet River. Kindra Lake Towing & Barge now includes a complete tugboat operation, marine construction equipment, and barge mooring facility. In addition to moving barges along the Calumet River, and to and from the steel mills in Indiana, Kindra Lake Towing & Barge provides long lake transportation throughout the Great Lakes including Milwaukee, Detroit, Cleveland, and New York. John Kindra will address working vessel etiquette and safety, navigation, communication and related topics.

