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Hello everyone. A lot has been happening these past two months, the elections, hurricanes, forest fires and much, much more. 2020 has been a year of trying times and good times. America's Boating Club Lehigh Valley members have been awesome this year by taking the necessary precautions to stay healthy and handle what comes along. We have gotten together to do community service events and a few squadron events. Our new members have moved forward with classes to improve their skills and knowledge. Some to fulfill their goals, others to prepare for future possibilities. ABC Lehigh Valley has been awarded several Educational Awards this year from District 5. The Kenneth Smith Seamanship Award (First Place), Henry E. Sweet Excellence In Education Award (Second Place), Commander's Trophy Award Advanced Grades (Third Place), and The Caravelle Award (First Place). These awards are a sign of the commitment of our squadron educators who take the time to teach the classes and the students who also take the time to improve their knowledge and advance in grade. Thank you both teachers and students for your efforts and thank you to all our members for making ABC Lehigh Valley a great squadron. Now on a sad note, due to the increased cases of Covid 19 we will be doing our future events via Zoom. The safety and health of our members is priority. We will return to meeting in person when it is safe. Please check the website and Delhighlights for upcoming events. I hope to see you at our virtual events and other events when it will be safe to get together. Winter is coming, be safe in all you do, stay healthy and have fun. Happy Holidays to all.

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# Thank You

By: Kim Karaman, S



Delhigh Power Squadron

Do you remember the first inkling that a global pandemic was occurring? Not sure if anyone knew the implications that would follow. New terms would be used to ensure safety. Lock-down, safe distance, masks and hand sanitizer would all become commonplace in our lives. It was a scary time as supplies were scarce and many businesses were closed.

In order to function we learned a new term, “essential worker”. These people kept working and if traveling to work after curfew had to carry a confirmation letter that allowed them to go to work and back. These workers needed to still show up despite the uncertainties of how this virus was being transmitted. Many precautions were implemented for the workers safety even though many supplies were difficult or impossible to find.

We never really realized the importance of the workers who provide critical supplies, healthcare, emergency services and so much more before this pandemic. Suddenly, when the rest of us were quarantining at home, they were heading to work, sometimes without PPE provided. These people not only put themselves in jeopardy but faced the reality that they could bring Covid home to their families.

We would like to recognize and thank all the essential workers, especially those who are members of our squadron. Cdr Keith Knoblach, AP and Sergio Lamboy, S work for the United States Postal Service which is a critical service we depend on, especially when we are home-bound. 1st/Lt Vincent Nowroozani, S worked supplying essential workers with gas and food at Wawa. Kathy McKenzie, P worked in a lab testing biopsy samples. P/C Robert Rendish, P worked to supply convenience stores and keep the shelves stocked. Nikki Lebeduik worked in a warehouse that mails out online orders. I would also like to mention my two daughters who are essential workers and supporters of the squadron, Kyle and Karlee Karaman.

The members of America’s Boating Club Lehigh Valley would like to thank you all for your essential work. Also, a big thank you to those member who have since gone back to work, in the office or from home, your efforts are truly appreciated!



Our Essential Workers, left to right: Cdr Keith Knoblach, JN, Sergio Lamboy, S, 1st/Lt Vincent Nowroozani, S, Kathy McKenzie, P, P/C Bob Rendish, P and Nikki Lebeduik.



# Sporting Clays

Delhigh held its eighth annual Sporting Clays event at the Leigh Valley Sporting Clays in Coplay, Pennsylvania on October 10<sup>th</sup>. Twelve members and guests were in attendance. Experience level ranged from first time shooters to the more advanced marksman. For those who usually attend, you missed a great day on the course! There was a private event on the green (beginner) course so we shot on the orange (intermediate) course. The event consisted of eight stations along the grounds. Several stations had the clay birds coming over the manmade lake from the quarry dig and out of what was left of form buildings adjacent to the dig sites. Each shooter shot at fifty clay birds over eight stations on the course.

We had three squads that shot at the event. P/C Brent Rhoads, SN, Jane Rhodes, Jessica Reybitz and Ken Burke were in squad one. The second had P/C Cyrus Nowroozani, JN, P/C Joe Stemrich, P, FI/Lt Oliver Nowroozani, S and guest Chris Miller. The third squad included Lt/C Doug McKenzie, JN, his son Tom McKenzie and his guests Matthew Garber and Phillip Webber.

Top shot per group:

Squad 1: Ken Burke

Squad 2: Matt Garber

Squad 3: Chris Miller

Top score over all was 29 of 50 by first time clay shooter Chris Miller. Chris is a commercial pilot for Southwest airline and is now hooked on shooting. We hope to have all our guests at future Delhigh events, both on and off the water.

The change in course made the shooting much more challenging with extremely aggressive angles and trajectories of the clays, yet fun was had by all. For additional information please visit their site at <http://lvsclays.com/>



Oliver, Chris, Cyrus, Joe, Doug, Phillip, Tom, Matthew, Jessica, Jane, Brent and Ken.



Cyrus and Oliver.



Chris winning a gift card handed to him by Cyrus.



# Oktoberfest



Delhigh Power Squadron



Amy, Russ and Cyrus.



Kathleen, Michael, Mark and Mary Lee.



Fran and Diane.



Ed and Eileen.



Michael, Nikki and Chris.



Randy and Jeanette.



Kathleen and Ginny's daughter Dawn.



Bob and Keith saying a few words about Ginny.



Jeanette's brother Joe and sister Ellen.



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# Oktoberfest

## A Tribute to P/C Ginny Brown, P



Ginny's granddaughter Allyson, daughters Dawn and Kim and Chris with the shadow box and pictures Delhigh presented to Chris and the family.



Ginny's son in law Ron, daughter Dawn and granddaughter Allyson listening to all the wonderful things Delhigh members had to say about Ginny.



Ginny's son in law Ron and daughter Kim.



Keith presenting Chris with the shadow box that was made with Ginny's things.



Kathleen presenting Chris with an 8x10 photo that he wanted but could only find as a wallet size. We had it scanned and reprinted for him and the girls.



Chris and Jeanette sharing a memory and a moment after the ceremony.





## Delhigh's Annual Holiday Party

Saturday, December 12

Zoom

6pm



**PLAN B**

In these crazy times, we are planning a Zoom Holiday Party

We will still have the Pollyanna Gift Exchange and collect Toys for Tots!

Please drop both off at the Nowroozani Residence before Thursday, December 10.

Michael and Kathleen are HAPPY to offer contactless pick up for anyone who does not want to drop off. Contact information is below.



If you are interested in participating in the Pollyanna Gift Exchange please drop off or have picked up a wrapped gift valued no more than \$20. One per couple or one per person are both acceptable and stealing is expected.

We will once again be collecting donations to the Toys for Tots.

Please drop off or have picked up your new in package, un-wrapped donations before December 10.



RSVP by December 10 to Kathleen at [k.now@mac.com](mailto:k.now@mac.com) or (956) 240-5553



## January Meeting with Soup and Salad Potluck



Wednesday, January 6, 2021  
At the Nowroozani Residence  
6:30pm

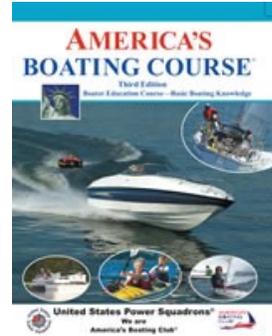
Join us for a nice light meal after all of the holiday craziness. Please bring a soup or salad to share.

RSVP to Kathleen at (956) 240-5553 or  
[k.now@mac.com](mailto:k.now@mac.com)



## America's Boating Course

Is being taught  
January 9 and 16  
9am-1pm  
Peter's Marine  
1402 Union Blvd, Allentown



Learn boating basics in this course which is followed by a boating license test for the PA boating certification. This course prepares you to get your state boating card and start having fun on the water. RSVP to Doug McKenzie at [doug-mckenzie@rcn.com](mailto:doug-mckenzie@rcn.com)



Click to go to [America's Boating Channel™](#) to see videos about safe boating and boating education!





# Founder's Day Meeting

Wednesday, February 3, 2021

6pm

Location TBD



Join us for a meal, meeting and to vote in the bridge for the incoming 2021-2022 year.

Information will be on the website when details are available and in the next Delhighlights.



### December

- Joseph Arietta, S
- Patricia Arietta, S
- Michele Lamboy, S
- Cdr Keith Knoblach, AP
- P/Lt/C Joseph Marakovits, SN
- Ronald Handwerk, AP
- Nikki Lebeduik
- Marilyn Ludwig

### January

- Mary Lee Sebring, S
- Donald Ludwig Jr., S
- Lt/C Doug McKenzie, JN
- P/C Bob Rendish, P



## Mini Road Rally

**Delhigh's Land Navigation Contest  
The 24th Annual Road Rally  
February 6, 2021  
(Covid & weather permitting)**



### **Uncertain Times:**

With all that is going on in today's uncertain times, we are looking forward to a good turnout. Your committee has worked hard to put this rally together.

This year will be different from the start.

\*\* We will have a virtual instruction session on Tuesday, Feb 2, 2021 at 7:00 pm. Please plan to join us. Everything you need will be emailed to you by Feb 1, 2021.

\*\* Please have breakfast at home or somewhere of your choosing and have your gas tank filled.

We will meet at 10:00 a.m. in the Starlite Diner parking lot at 233 Rt.100, Allentown, PA 18106.

Look for my car for your last minute instructions and packets to start your adventure.

\*\* My car will have an orange traffic cone on the roof. (Should you need help call me at **(610)730-2798**).

\*\* 1<sup>st</sup> car out will be approx. 10:15am.

### **This is not a "race".**

It is a day spent with your family, a spouse, friend or companion for a drive on roads that you would probably never think to travel. It seems to be more fun having four people in a vehicle looking for pictures.

Please invite your friends. The more entries we have makes for a more enjoyable day.

The object is to follow the directions, look for the pictures enclosed along the way, answer a few questions and just enjoy the day and the scenery.

This is a Mini Road Rally so there will not be a second packet. This is not a fund raiser for the squadron, it is to give everyone an opportunity to navigate a Road Rally and see what it is about and how it works.

We will end at a place where you will turn in your packet to me. After turning in your packet in the parking lot you have the choice of continuing on with your day, going home or to come in and eat good food, have fun and share good fellowship. (All within the restrictions of the pandemic regulations.)

If you choose to come in you will order off the menu and everyone will receive separate checks.

Prizes will be awarded for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and last place.

All of our past rallies have proven to be a world of fun, enjoyment and a challenge for the driver and his partner, called the navigator. Communication between driver and navigator is a plus.

It's simple. **Follow the directions; know right, left and how to count! Just enjoy!!!**

**If you plan to attend PLEASE CONTACT:** P/C Michael Lebeduik, III, JN at (610)730-2798 or email:

**TJA.ML3@verizon.net, By January 31, 2021**

We are looking forward to seeing everyone again.

*Your Road Rally Committee*



# What are our members doing?



Ed and Eileen Muschlitz celebrated their 64th Wedding Anniversary in style which was a surprise from their daughter Janet!



Doug and Kathy McKenzie bought a new 2004 Meridian 408.



Rich and Bea Norris are enjoying their new SeaRay 290, but not as much as Nikki!





VSC Safety Corner  
By: P/C Michael Lebeduik, III, JN

At the beginning of the Covid Pandemic, the United States Coast Guard mandated a "Stand Down" for all USCG Aux and USPS Vessel Safety Examiners. Normally Delhigh would begin Vessel Safety Checks mid March to beginning of April. The mandate was lifted completely for District 5, July 7, 2020. Our VE's began conducting VSC's July 11<sup>th</sup>. It was a slow start but in the second and third week things started picking up.

Delhigh would like to thank the VE's for giving of their time to help educate the public about the state and federal regulations needed to bring them into compliance to pass the Vessel Safety Check and receive a VSC Decal.

The VE's are:

Cdr Keith Knoblach, AP

P/C George Kelchner, SN

P/Lt/C John Kudera, AP

P/C Kathleen Nowroozani, SN

P/C Michael Lebeduik, III, JN

Lt Richard Garnjost, SN

They completed 65 VSC's, passing 50 and failing 15.

"They Deserve a Job Well Done!"

From all Delhigh VE's we wish you a safe Holiday, a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

## My Letter – Remember?

Author Unknown

I was going through some old papers and ran across this poem. As I get older I am starting to realize some of the verses are becoming familiar in my life. Read and enjoy... P/C Michael Lebeduik, III, JN

*Just a line to say I'm living,  
That I'm not among the dead,  
That I'm getting more forgetful,  
And more mixed-up in the head.*

*For some times I can't remember,  
When I stand at the foot of the stair,  
If I must go UP for something,  
Or I've just come Down from there!*

*And before the 'fridge' so often,  
My poor mind is filled with doubt,  
Have I just put food away, or  
Have I come to take it OUT?*

*And at times when it is dark out,  
With my nightcap on my head,  
I don't know if I'm retiring  
Or just getting out of bed.*

*So, if it's my turn to write you,  
There's no need of getting sore:  
I may think that I have written  
And don't want to be a bore....*

*Just remember I love you  
And wish that you were near,  
But now it's nearly mail time  
So I must say 'Goodbye, Dear.'*

*Here I stand beside the mailbox  
With my face so very red,  
'Stead of mailing you this letter,  
I've just opened it instead!*





Executive Officer's Report  
P/C Robert Rendish, P

Educational Officer's Report  
Lt/C Doug McKenzie, JN

Hello members and friends.  
The District 5 Fall Educational Conference concluded online on Saturday, November 7, 2020. The Zoom meetings were well attended. District 5 Educational Officer Joe Gibson, SN announced that all meetings and classes are available on the [D/5 website](#). You must log in first, then click on Resources in the upper left corner. The National Meeting of the United States Power Squadrons, America's Boating Club, will be held at Ponte Vedra, Florida, February 14-21, 2021. Details on the national website as they become available and in upcoming Delhighlights newsletters.  
As I write this we are over a week away from Thanksgiving. Despite all that is going on in the state, the country and the world, remember and cherish your family, your friends, your faith and your country.  
Happy Thanksgiving.

Ahoy Mates! If you read my last report, you know that my search for my next boat was narrowing. Well, we did it, we bought a 2004 Meridian 408! (Pictures on page 10) Her name is Sea Stories and she is currently in Beaufort, South Carolina. After a few maintenance projects she will be put back in the water and our Great Loop adventure will begin!  
Delhigh ran the Instructor Recertification class on Sept 26 and we have 11 certified instructors to carry Delhigh forward, great job! We have scheduled the ABC course for January 9 and 16, 2021 at Peters Marine in Allentown. We started the Piloting course on October 24 with five students taking the class and one person auditing the class as a refresher. So far, it's going well!  
Delhigh received some great news at the D/5 Fall Educational Conference. We have received 4 education awards from D/5, including the coveted Caravelle Award for teaching advanced courses! I'm so proud of all our instructors and students, a job well done.



The Caravelle Award is now safely in Michael's hands and on it's way home to Delhigh for the year. Hopefully we can all get together to enjoy it soon.





Administrative Officer's Report  
P/C Kathleen Nowroozani, SN

October treated us well here in the Lehigh Valley. Sporting Clays took place on a gorgeous Saturday morning and was enjoyed by 12 members and friends. We then had a very nice evening remembering our own P/C Ginny Brown, P at our annual Oktoberfest meeting. It was nice to have some of Ginny's family attend as well. Chris and Ginny's daughters appreciated the pictures and kind words.

Unfortunately, November has come in with a surge of Covid cases in our area and we are back to virtual meetings and events. Though we hoped for in person events, we will be virtual for the rest of the year at a minimum. The safety of our members and friends has to be our priority.

We are still planning to Zoom our annual Holiday Party. Even online we plan to collect Toys for Tots and have our annual Polyanna Gift Exchange with all of the usual fun and unpredictability of the box, the curtain and having gifts stolen. You may also want to have a cookie or two on hand in case the cookie crumbles again this year! Please plan to drop off Polyanna gifts and Toys for Tots at the Nowroozani residence as soon as you have them or let me know and someone will come by and pick them up for you. I know, I myself am looking forward to this bit of normalcy, even if it will be online. There is even a small token being put together for members in attendance so don't miss out!

We have a pot luck meeting, ABC course and ExCom meeting all scheduled for January, hopefully we will be able to safely be in the same room at that time. It is very possible that these January events will be virtual as well, but let's wait and see where we are as these events get closer.

I hope the holiday season treats you well. Please reach out if you or your family need a hand with anything. You can reach me at [k.now@mac.com](mailto:k.now@mac.com) or (956) 240-5553. Happy Holidays! Stay safe and well.

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# USPS NATIONAL NEWS

The National Fall meeting was a virtual meeting. All meetings were held online from home. The good news about this is that all of the meetings were recorded and are now available to you! Click on this [link](#) (after signing in to the national website) to access meetings and seminars covering things like member benefits, membership and retention, knots, anchoring, docking, changing squadron culture, environmental updates and more. You can also sign in to [www.usps.org](http://www.usps.org) and click National Meetings on the left then recordings and information on the right to get to the meetings.

The Annual Meeting is scheduled for February 14-21, 2021 in Ponte Vedra, Florida. Go to [www.usps.org](http://www.usps.org) for details.



**Annual Meeting**  
**14-21 February 2021**  
*Ponte Vedra, Florida*



# DISTRICT 5 NEWS

The D/5 Fall Virtual Conference was held November 4-7, 2020. While we missed getting to see all of our district friends we were still able to keep learning and moving forward. You can find the meeting recordings on the [D/5 website](#), simply log in and click on the Resources button in the upper left corner. There were classes on all kinds of things like AIS, first aid, marketing, America's Boating Channel and more, please go to the website and take a look. You can watch these at your leisure.



Spring Conference for District 5 is scheduled for April 7-11, 2021 at the Princess Royale Hotel in Ocean City, Maryland. Hopefully we will be seeing everyone around the pool Friday night enjoying the hospitality suites and each others company this coming April. Reservation forms in the next Delhighlights.



# How to dock a boat safely

Learning how to dock a boat requires advanced planning. Before you even arrive at the dock, prepare your boat for docking and make sure your crew knows what to do. Planning ahead and communicating those plans with your crew will help you dock without incident.



## Prepare the crew

Explain your docking plan prior to arrival. Let your crew know what to do and what conditions might be encountered while docking. Answering the following questions will help the crew determine how to react:

- From what direction will you be approaching the dock?
- What are the wind and current doing?
- Which dock lines should be passed or picked up first?
- In what sequence will you need assistance or lines secured?
- What will happen if a problem occurs?

An unexpected gust of wind or stronger-than-anticipated current will affect your approach and the completion of docking procedures. Even traffic in the marina or channel could change your docking plan. The crew should know what to do if that happens.

## Establish communication procedures

Communication during docking should be worked out in advance and kept simple to avoid confusion or possible misunderstanding. In many situations, voice commands will be sufficient for directing the crew. However, less than optimal weather conditions, greater distance or an obstructed view could render them useless, so it's a good idea to establish prearranged hand signals for use during docking.

## Check conditions

You need to assess the wind and current conditions to help formulate your docking plan:

- Look at flags to estimate wind direction and speed.
- Look at current ripples around buoys and pilings to judge the current's effects.
- Observe other boats moored in the harbor. Which way are they turned? Concentrate on boats like yours that are arrayed in different directions.
- Stop your boat briefly and observe what it does.

When the wind is coming head on (in the opposite direction of your boat's movement), you can use it to help you dock and complete other slow-speed maneuvers. Use the wind to slow down your boat and gain better control when maneuvering.

Wind coming from astern acts against your boat, pushing it and increasing its speed. When performing slow-speed maneuvers, you need to anticipate how much acceleration the wind is adding and compensate by reducing power. When approaching docks, moorings or other boats, use reverse thrust to offset the pushing wind.

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## Prepare your vessel

Prepare your lines for docking well before you approach the dock. Attach the bow, stern and spring lines to the boat and coil them on the deck. Use center cleats, if your boat has them, to attach spring lines.

If your boat has lifelines, pass your docking lines outboard over the top of the lifelines, bring them in-board again under the lifelines and attach them to the boat's cleats. This ensures that docking lines go directly from the boat cleat to the dock without touching the lifelines. Place fenders as needed and have boat hooks at the ready in case you need to fend off the dock or other boats.

Proper fender placement will prevent chafing damage to the hull while docking. Placement depends on your boat's hull shape and the height of the dock or pier against which the boat will be tied. When returning to your slip, deploying fenders and fender boards should be easy. If you've already set them to the correct length, you'll only need to reattach them to the stanchion, cleat or railing.

If you dock your boat against pier pilings, you may need a docking fender board or a long fender placed horizontally. Fender boards are also useful to protect the hull from rubbing against lock walls when transiting locks.

Knowing what to expect ahead of time prepares your crew so it can focus on the docking process, rather than searching for needed equipment.

Dockmasters usually let you know on which side to place your dock lines and fenders. If not, ask. Ideally, someone will be at the dock to assist you as you dock. If not, you need to be able to position the boat and deploy the dock lines yourself. Caution the crew not to jump onto the dock or try to hold or stop the boat with hands or legs. This can cause serious injuries.

## Prepare to dock in tight quarters

Docking in narrow slips or between two boats requires preparation and planning to prevent damaging your boat and others. Using dock lines to pivot becomes more important when docking in tight quarters as the lines provide more control when moving at slow speeds. When necessary, they can prevent movement forward or astern.

Station crew members at critical locations fore and aft to fend off or handle dock lines. The crew should have boat hooks at the ready. They should be used with caution to prevent injury, and never braced against the body, which could force the boat hook into the handler's body. Don't use boat hooks to fend off when docking larger, heavier boats. Secure dock lines before beginning the maneuver.

## When to abort or delay docking

Occasionally, problems develop during docking. Have a plan in case the docking attempt is unsuccessful. Look around to see if other boats are approaching or departing the marina or docking area. Are there any personal watercraft moving through the area? If you are entering a congested area with limited room to maneuver, move out of the way and let other boats pass or wait to enter the channel.

To learn more about docking and leaving a dock, take our [Confidence in Docking and Undocking seminar](#)

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# A BIT OF FUN



Seeing that it is almost time for the giving season, take a look at these 19 boater gift idea must haves!

<https://www.bestboatreport.com/19-boater-gift-ideas-must-haves-for-a-new-boat-owner/>

Ever wonder where Santa starts his trip and what route he takes? Wonder how close he is to your house on Christmas Eve? Starting Dec 24 you can track Santa as he delivers gifts to all the good girls and boys at this link!

<https://www.thesantatracker.com/trackingcenter/>



Missing the feel of the sun in your hair, the smell of the water and having a good laugh at the expense of inexperienced boaters? Click here to watch Boneheaded Boaters of the Week and follow broncos guru on YouTube for more.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QW4GXX5gt60>

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Ever thought about renaming your boat? Many places will tell you not to but as with anything else, there's a ceremony for that! Find out all the Dos and Don'ts here.

[www.discoverboating.com/resources/ceremony](http://www.discoverboating.com/resources/ceremony)



happy holidays!





<p><b>Holiday Party</b> Saturday, December 12 Zoom 6pm</p>	<p><b>Executive Committee Meeting</b> Saturday, January 9, 2021 TBD</p>	<p><b>Game Night</b> Saturday, February 20, 2021 Meisner Residence 5pm</p>
<p><b>January Meeting with Soup and Salad Potluck</b> Wednesday, January 6, 2021 Nowroozani Residence 6:30pm</p>	<p><b>Founder's Day</b> Wednesday, February 3, 2021 TBD 6pm</p>	<p><b>Change-of-Watch</b> Saturday, March 6, 2021 TBD 6pm</p>
<p><b>America's Boating Course</b> Saturday, January 9 and 16, 2021 Peter's Marine, Allentown 9am-1pm</p>	<p><b>Mini Road Rally</b> Saturday, February 6, 2021 Starlite Diner, Allentown 10am</p>	<p>All Calendar events are subject to change as the bridge sees fit. Please contact Kathleen at <a href="mailto:k.now@mac.com">k.now@mac.com</a> or (956) 240-5553 for more information on any scheduled event.</p>

**Delhigh Helping Community**



As the Holidays approach Delhigh will continue to make donations of food to families, organizations, food banks and soup kitchens. Our priority is helping families that truly need our assistance. It is a very humbling and rewarding experience. In the next issue of Delhighlights we will give a breakdown of everything we delivered in 2020. If you would like to make a food or monetary donation please contact: P/C Michael Lebeduik, III, JN at (610)730-2798 or [TJA.ML3@verizon.net](mailto:TJA.ML3@verizon.net). He will coordinate pick up and delivery with the individuals that help deliver the items.



**Squadron Burgee Heraldry**

The Delhigh burgee was designed by the son of a charter member, P/C Frank Barnet, Jr., AP. The colors signify the Delta "D" flag and the stars represent the three city area of Allentown, Bethlehem and Easton. The word Delhigh was derived from the names of the two rivers in our area, the Lehigh River and Delaware River.



Happy New Year

