

EDUCATION UPDATE



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The Education Year is beginning shortly with Boat Handling Course, Advanced Piloting and Sail with all starting in early February. Boat Handling is made up of six seminars (anchoring, confidence in boating, docking/undocking, emergencies on board, rules of the road and knots & lines) and passing of the test at the end will get you a rating of Seaman (S). Advanced Piloting is a seven week course and passing the test will get you a rating of Advanced Pilot (AP). Sail is a seven week course on sailboats and sailing which we don't offer very often but it is a very interesting course. It should be noted that each of the six Boat Handling seminars can be taken individually. All classes for the three courses are being held at the Hilton Head Senior Center from 6:30 to 8:30 in the evening. To register, go to ABCHH.org and click on the course or seminar of interest on the Education Calendar.

The big news in the Education is that one of our ABCHH members, Pete Dion, is being awarded the Chapman Award for Educational Excellence! Pete has been an instructor for nearly 10 years and many of our courses and seminars plus trained many in our on the water programs! The award to Pete also comes with a benefit to ABCHH - \$500 to use on improving our education system which will be used to the purchase of new presentation computers.

Charles F. Chapman Award for Excellence in Teaching

The Charles F. Chapman Award for Excellence in Teaching is an annual award program that provides Squadron, District, and National recognition to outstanding individual instructors. At the National level, the Chapman Award is the highest recognition and honor that USPS can give to individual instructors who are selected as the "best of our best" each year.



Please join us in congratulating Pete on his well deserved recognition!

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