

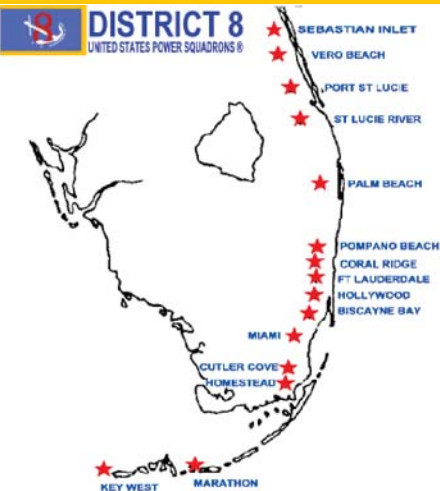


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PRACTICAL ON THE WATER TRAINING

This is an eight hour seminar with the perfect combination of classroom training and hands-on On-The-Water training. It provides an explanation of how your boat handles and why. Video clips let you visualize the maneuvers prior to your experiencing them on the water. It covers use of lines, departing the dock, operating in a fairway, pivoting, mooring, backing, docking, steering - slalom, holding course - range, and a quick stop.

Each student receives a copy of Powerboat Handling Illustrated, a DVD, a Student Manual, a certificate, and a T-shirt acknowledging his/her training.



Courses will be available in Jacksonville at the time of the Annual Meeting with the USPS purpose built boat (picture below) or watch for seminars close to home as the boat moves down the East Coast of Florida afterwards.

To find a seminar visit www.usps.org/owt

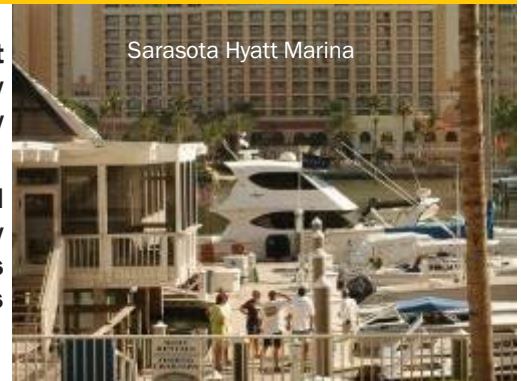


MESSAGE FROM YOUR DISTRICT COMMANDER

D/C GARY FERGUSON, JN

I was invited to and attended the District 22 Council and Conference at the Sarasota Hyatt on 6-9 October 2011, and I was overwhelmed by their hospitality. I attended all functions on Friday and Saturday, day and night.

There are differences in the way they do business versus District 8 and I will discuss some of them. The first noticeable difference is on Friday night; they have a hospitality that has sponsorship by four squadrons and this is rotated at each conference with four different squadrons responsible for the next. Financing is proportionate to squadron size.



Setting Up Friday Night Hospitality



Friday night after the hospitality, members are on their own, free to dine with old friends. There is one exception and that is the Past District Commanders dinner hosted by the junior most P/D/C. It was Mary Paige Abbott, who also constructed a "USPS trivia" contest that required all to stand and raise your hand if you agreed with the statement. After a while, there was one person of the thirty plus in attendance left standing; that was Chief's Representative, V/C Robert Baldrige, SN, very fitting. I was invited to attend this event, even though I am only a half P/D/C. I should add that I sat down midway through the proceedings. I didn't want to "show off"; after all, I was a guest...grin.

Another interesting difference was an awards luncheon on Saturday. This was attended by over 80 members and is a relatively new idea and one that has produced good results. D22 has many, many awards and all paper awards are presented at this luncheon to take it out of the Conference where only plaques and trophies are presented. They have a lot of these as well, more than D8. I am told that they have cut back on several awards presented in the past. Other than the awards presentations, the Conference took on a very similar look with over 200 in attendance.



The Saturday night dinner was a theme dinner, western this time, and the members put on a sketch with each of these members dressing up in the appropriate garb to match the sketch. They don't rehearse and read off of a script, sounds corny, but it was hilarious and a very good time. No band, no dancing but everyone seemed to enjoy themselves; I know I did. [Photos submitted by Victoria Ross, Beacon 22 editor, Tim McGarr photos; Dick McConnell, D22, Crystal River squadron; and Harold Anderson, D22 photographer.](#)



EDUCATION NEWS

Stf/C Al Bruhin, SN

I have received many questions on the Procedure for Enrolling Non-Member Students In USPS University and Ordering Exams. The procedure follows:

The enrolling of non-member students in USPS University has been revised so that only students taking an advanced or elective grade need to be manually entered into USPS University. Seminar students and ABC 3 students are automatically entered into USPS University. Simply entering their information in the HQ-800 system generates the USPS University number (Master and Updater password only).

There is also a search function on the enrollment page that allows you to search for students within 10, 20, 50 or 100 miles of your squadron. There is no need to enter a zip code as the search is based on your squadron's zip code when you log in.

The following procedure can be used by the SEO, ASEO or any Local Board Chairman that were entered on the **ED-1 Squadron Appointment Form**:

1. The **ED-46 seminar registration form** available on the Educational Department web site can be used to collect the data from the non-member student prior to entering it in the system.
2. To enroll the student, you must log in with the squadron account number, the DB 2000 password (master, updater or user) and your certificate number.
3. You go to <http://www.usps.org/php/DHinders/USPSU/enroll.php> to enroll non-member student. **Search to be sure a non-member has not already been enrolled before starting the enrollment process.**
4. All information on the enrollment form should be requested from the student and entered. At a minimum the name, address, city, state and telephone number must be entered. An e-mail address is preferable for communication purposes and should be requested from the student.
5. An e-mail will be sent to the SEO confirming receipt of each student enrollment.
6. On the next business day, Headquarters will assign a certificate number for each student.
7. The SEO will receive an e-mail with each student's certificate number.
8. **The SEO needs to notify the student of their certificate number.**

10. Non-member students will be included on the ED-6 forms and critiques the SEO receives after the exam is graded.

11. If the student later becomes a member, they will retain their certificate number and all their course and seminar completions.

Note! Non-member Students are assigned to USPS University and are not assigned to your squadron.

Exams are to be ordered for non-members and members using the same online ED-33 as we use today. <http://www.usps.org/cgi-bin/nat/eddept/cart/ecexam.cgi>

ON THE WATER SECTIONS FOR CORE COURSES

Procedures for performing On the Water sections for the core courses are being prepared. The sections for Seamanship and Sail have been completed and can be downloaded from the Educational Department home page. Just click on the name of the course on the left hand side of the page and look for downloads. These sections are not required for the course, but are an option that gives us an advantage over competitive programs.

BRUNSWICK PROGRAM

D8 presently has agreements with two Brunswick Dealers thanks to the efforts of the Pompano Beach and Port St. Lucie squadrons. Classes and seminars are being scheduled at the two dealerships. In a meeting early in October P/D/C Malischka Dunlap, AP established a program of classes and seminars to be conducted over the next twelve months. We need to get working with more dealerships, but strong participation and leadership from the local squadrons is essential. If you have any questions or would like some help, please feel free to contact me or P/R/C Dick Pfenninger, SN.

Below: Squadron members at Brunswick Dealership, MarineMax Expo; story & more photos on next page. (photo by MarineMax employee).



BRUNSWICK/DEALER/USPS PARTNERSHIP

MARINEMAX DEALER, STUART

By P/D/C Malischka Dunlap, AP

The Brunswick/Dealer/USPS Partnership and MarineMax local partnership in Stuart, Florida finalized in July, 2011. The purpose of this partnership is to bring more people into boating, into dealerships, and train boaters. Dealerships become focal points for boater training featuring USPS courses, seminars, hands-on training and boater certification. The dealer becomes a USPS member, provides their location for training programs, loan of boats if needed, and partner in promotion of events. USPS members provide materials, training, certificates, and partner in promotion of events. MarineMax will have increased traffic in dealership, enhanced goodwill and opportunity to sell more boats and accessories. It gives our local squadrons, Port St. Lucie Squadron and St. Lucie River Squadron, the opportunity to instruct a broader audience, use of dealership facilities, and opportunity to recruit membership.

Squadrons and District teams work with a dealer to plan and schedule courses, seminars, and events. Squadrons will participate in dealer led events as needed. MarineMax and local squadrons/district will plan and execute media releases, poster campaign, local articles, advertising, programs and events. The Brunswick Partnership is a win – win situation for all.

Our first event was held on 10 September with an Expo and two seminars held at MarineMax in Stuart.

D/Lt Phillip J. Bouckaert, AP, Palm Beach Squadron, presented the seminar "September is National Preparedness Month" and D/Lt Michael J. Knapp, AP of St. Lucie River Squadron presented the seminar "Coastal Navigation." USPS Membership, VSC, and Treasure Coast Electronics booths were on display.

Photos by Diane DiMaio, Elaine Geist & MarineMax.



D8 SUMMER RENDEZVOUS

We Had So Much Fun!

D/F/Lt Anita F. Walker, JN

In July, D8 held a summer rendezvous at Pier 66 in Ft. Lauderdale. This was one of the most successful events in many years. People came by land and sea. About ten boats made the journey from as far north as Vero Beach. Members stayed in the hotel and nearly 100 participated in the Friday and Saturday happy hour events. We had a great pancake breakfast on Saturday morning. The Commanders' meeting was particularly well attended.

There was plenty to do on and off campus. The pool was a gathering place during the warm days. People went on the Jungle Queen, various shopping and sightseeing adventures and enjoyed many of the area restaurants. Some ventured to nearby casinos to test their luck at the slots and tables. If you didn't participate, you missed a great event.

A successful rendezvous results when many people help. D/1st/Lt Dan Thomas, SN and Lt Kathie Thomas, P organized great room and dock rates as well as the hospitality suite and meeting rooms. P/D/C Bill Gillette, AP worked his magic to save us some money on hotel taxes. And special thanks to P/C Richard Walker, SN; D/Lt Art Dodd, SN; D/Lt Mary Dodd, SN; Lt/C Tom Nolan, P; P/R/C Bill Eldridge, SN; Lt Bill Pringle, P; D/Lt/C Diana Jackson, AP; Lt/C Mike Jackson, AP; P/D/Lt/C Ron Ray, JN; D/Lt/C Jack Doyle, SN; Lt Dave Nace, S; Lt Dave Bruce, P; Lt Ken Jackson, P; P/C Marie Jackson, AP; Cdr Joyce Newman, S; P/C Barbara Roemmele, JN; D/Lt/C Doris Pfenniger, P; D/F/Lt Anita Walker, JN; Bonnie Fisher; Kathryn Eldridge and lots more folks for setting up the hospitality suite, flipping pancakes, staffing the bar, buying/preparing food and cleaning up.

Rendezvous photos by D/Lt Art Dodd, SN



D8 SUMMER RENDEZVOUS



D8 FALL CONFERENCE EDUCATION AWARDS



ROBERT W. ROWLANDS AWARD
1st Place - CUTLER COVE
 2nd place - Vero Beach
 3rd place - Homestead



SAUL SABAD AWARD
1st Place - HOMESTEAD
 2nd place - Vero Beach
 3rd place - Pompano Beach



"N" CLUB AWARD
1st Place - VERO BEACH
 2nd place - Pompano Beach
 3rd place - Palm Beach



Left
HARRY J. MEHRER AWARD
1st Place - KEY WEST
 2nd place - Homestead
 3rd place - Vero Beach



Right
PRINCE HENRY AWARD
1st Place - POMPANO BEACH
 2nd place - Palm Beach
 3rd Place - Vero Beach



**NATIONAL BOATING FOUNDATION/USPS EXCELLENCE
 IN RECREATIONAL BOATING EDUCATION AWARD**
BISCAYNE BAY



DISTRICT 8 CHAPMAN AWARD NOMINEES
SQUADRON WINNERS: Marjorie Baraff, AP - Biscayne Bay; Philip Bouckaert, AP - Palm Beach; Thomas Nolan, SN - Pompano Beach; Janice Rohde, AP - Key West; Daniel Thomas, SN - Vero Beach; Vincent Whelan, AP - St. Lucie River and the
DISTRICT 8 WINNER: Daniel Thomas, SN - Vero Beach.

EDUCATIONAL PROFICIENCY AWARD

- Joseph Fadlovich, AP - Key West
- Joan Wallin, AP - Key West
- Edwin Hoover, AP - Palm Beach
- Thomas Collins, N - Palm Beach
- Richard Porter, JN - Pompano Beach



EDUCATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

- Richard McClain, SN - Palm Beach
- Allan Furtado, SN - Pompano Beach
- Thomas Nolan, SN - Pompano Beach
- Ronald Ziller, SN - Pompano Beach
- Howard Kaufman, SN - Pompano Beach
- David Connolly, SN - Vero Beach

D8 FALL CONFERENCE - WORK, PLAY & MORE AWARDS



50 Year Member Awards

- Thomas Jantz, P, Pompano Beach
- P/R/C Bill Eldridge, SN, Palm Beach
- Donald Marsh, JN, Port St. Lucie
- Daniel McEllin, N Pompano Beach
- Roy Engelbrecht, AP, St. Lucie River
- Vincent Whalen, AP, St. Lucie River



Registration



Fall Council Meeting



Key West Hospitality



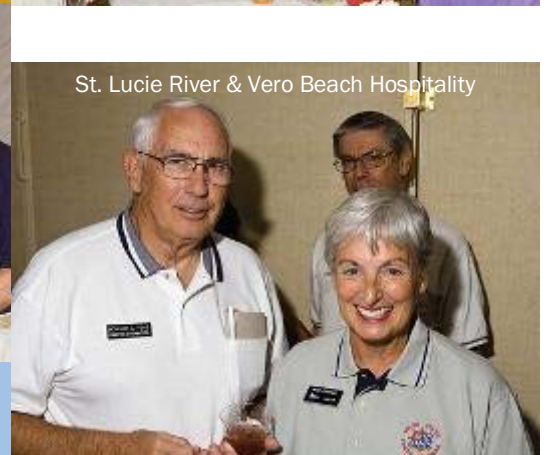
St. Lucie River & Vero Beach Hospitality



Key West Hospitality



ROBERT D. MESSINGSCHLAGER
COOPERATIVE CHARTING AWARD
KEY WEST



St. Lucie River & Vero Beach Hospitality



Homecoming Queen & King

**ROBERT C. WORNICK
MEMBERSHIP AWARD**

1st Place - FT. LAUDERDALE
2nd Place - Key West
3rd Place - Vero Beach



P/D/C's
Just Wanna Have Fun!

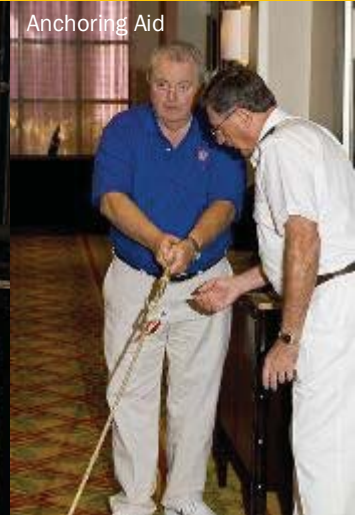
D8 FALL CONFERENCE EXHIBITS & SEMINARS



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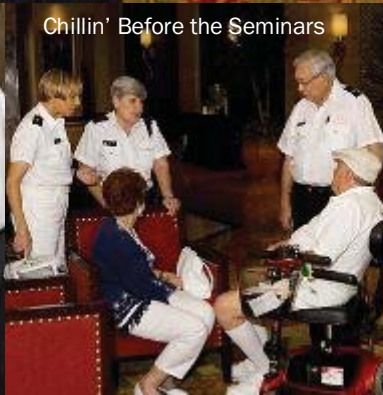
Fire Extinguisher Training



Anchoring Aid



Teaching Aids



Chillin' Before the Seminars



Squadron Development



Nominating Workshop



Instructor Recertification



Working with Schools and Colleges



Cooperative Charting



Why Take New Courses?



How to Put More People in Classes

D8 FALL CONFERENCE - WORK & PLAY



The Conference



First Timer's Reception



Friday Night Party



Friday Night Party



Friday Night Party



Friday Night Party



D/C's Reception



D/C's Reception



D/C's Reception



Saturday Night Cocktail Hour



Saturday Night Dinner Dance



Saturday Night Winners



SEO's Meeting



SEO's Meeting



Squadron Officers' Meeting



Squadron Officers' Meeting

VESSEL SAFETY CHECK CORNER

submitted by D/Lt Allan Furtado, SN

Information below excerpted and copied with permission from Jason; website <http://www.fire-extinguisher101.com>



Fire Extinguisher Types (What Kind Do I Use?)

With so many fire extinguishers to choose from, selecting the proper one for your home can be a daunting task. Everyone should have at least one fire extinguisher at home, but it's just as important to ensure you have the proper type of fire extinguisher. Fire protection experts recommend one for the kitchen, the garage and workshop.

Fire extinguishers are divided into four categories, based on different types of fires. Each fire extinguisher also has a numerical rating that serves as a guide for the amount of fire the extinguisher can handle. The higher the number, the more fire-fighting power. The following is a quick guide to help choose the right type of extinguisher.

- **Class A** extinguishers are for ordinary combustible materials such as paper, wood, cardboard, and most plastics. The numerical rating on these types of extinguishers indicates the amount of water it holds and the amount of fire it can extinguish. Geometric symbol (green triangle)
- **Class B** fires involve flammable or combustible liquids such as gasoline, kerosene, grease and oil. The numerical rating for class B extinguishers indicates the approximate number of square feet of fire it can extinguish. Geometric symbol (red square)
- **Class C** fires involve electrical equipment, such as appliances, wiring, circuit breakers and outlets. Never use water to extinguish class C fires - the risk of electrical shock is far too great! Class C extinguishers do not have a numerical rating. The C classification means the extinguishing agent is non-conductive. Geometric symbol (blue circle)

Some fires may involve a combination of these classifications. Your fire extinguishers should have ABC ratings on them.

Here are the most common types of fire extinguishers:

- **Water extinguishers** or APW extinguishers (air-pressurized water) are suitable for **class A fires only**. Never use a water extinguisher on grease fires, electrical fires or class D fires - the flames will spread and make the fire bigger! Water extinguishers are filled with water and are typically pressurized with air. Again - water extinguishers can be very dangerous in the wrong type of situation. Only fight the fire if you're certain it contains ordinary combustible materials only.

- **Dry chemical extinguishers** come in a variety of types and are suitable for a combination of **class A, B and C fires**. These are filled with foam or powder and pressurized with nitrogen.

BC - This is the regular type of dry chemical extinguisher. It is filled with sodium bicarbonate or potassium bicarbonate. The BC variety leaves a mildly corrosive residue which must be cleaned immediately to prevent any damage to materials.

ABC - This is the multipurpose dry chemical extinguisher. The ABC type is filled with monoammonium phosphate, a yellow powder that leaves a sticky residue that may be damaging to electrical appliances such as a computer.

Dry chemical extinguishers have an advantage over CO₂ extinguishers since they leave a non-flammable substance on the extinguished material, reducing the likelihood of re-ignition.

- **Carbon Dioxide (CO₂) extinguishers** are used for **class B and C fires**. CO₂ extinguishers contain carbon dioxide, a non-flammable gas, and are highly pressurized. The pressure is so great that it is not uncommon for bits of dry ice to shoot out the nozzle. They don't work very well on class A fires because they may not be able to displace enough oxygen to put the fire out, causing it to re-ignite.

CO₂ extinguishers have an advantage over dry chemical extinguishers since they don't leave a harmful residue - a good choice for an electrical fire on a computer or other favorite electronic device such as a stereo or TV.

It is vital to know what type of extinguisher you are using. Using the wrong type of extinguisher for the wrong type of fire can be life-threatening.

These are only the common types of fire extinguishers. There are many others to choose from. Base your selection on the classification and the extinguisher's compatibility with the items you wish to protect.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

By D/Lt Mary Dodd, SN

I'd like to remind everyone that the deadline for the 2011 "Doing It Right" questionnaire is 15 December 2011. You can download the questionnaire from the National Website at: <http://www.usps.org/national/membership/other%20documents/Awards%20Programs.htm>

Looking forward to seeing you all at the D8 Spring Conference. The Membership Committee will be giving a presentation on Saturday morning of the "How-to Tools for Recruiting and Membership Involvement". During the recruiting portion, learn how to recruit from Cyber Squadron, at seminars, boat shows, ABC3 Six Month Free Trial Membership and get ideas how squadrons are successfully recruiting members. The membership involvement portion will give you the tools you need to retain members and you find out how other squadrons are successfully retaining members.

DISTINGUISHED CIVIC SERVICE AWARD FOR 2011



The Award Will Cover From 1 November 2010 to 31 October 2011.

Overview and Objective

The objective of the BoatUS Civic Service Award is to recognize one squadron and one district in USPS that *gets the most members involved in their community in the name of USPS.*

This award is not designed to recognize member only events, but a squadron's support and exposure to their community. This could be done in many ways. (i.e. It could be a program designed to continuously give recognition to safe boating or it could just happen when a squadron member finds a stranded boater and saves their life). The submission form will also provide ideas of civic events that can be done. *Squadron Commanders need to insure all submissions are submitted to National by 1 December 2011.*

Complete details of this Award and instructions with all of the forms can be found on the national web page: http://www.usps.org/national/membership/distinguished_civic_service_awar.htm

OPERATIONS TRAINING

The Administrative Department is pleased to announce D/Lt Diane Di Maio, P as our newly appointed Operations Training chairman. Diane is a member of Port St Lucie Power Squadron and is currently the SAC. Please welcome her!

D/Lt/C Diana Jackson, AP

NEW FOR YOU

from the Leadership Development Committee (LDCOM)

OPERATIONS TRAINING PROGRAM

The *Operations Training Program Manual* has been totally revised to reflect changes in the Operations Manual and other changes in our organization. This manual is posted on the LDCOM website and replaces the printed version supplied by Headquarters.

This Operations Training Manual is presented in modular form (four modules) to provide flexibility in offering and completing it in whatever order best suits those involved.

- Module I – The Organization
- Module II – Squadron Committee Work
- Module III – Squadron Bridge Officers
- Module IV – Navigating the USPS Web Site

The four modules may be downloaded and printed separately or as one complete manual.

JOB DESCRIPTIONS

Job descriptions have been revised and posted on the website. The descriptions presented are generic in nature and they may be added to or extended as local requirements may warrant.

42 jobs are included in the *District Job Descriptions Manual* to reflect the most recent editions of the typical District Organization chart and model District Bylaws.

The *Squadron Job Descriptions Manual* includes 47 jobs. Small squadrons and squadrons at risk may not be able to recruit enough members to fill all 47 positions.

The foreword includes recommendations from the "Squadrons at Risk Manual". Squadrons may wish to change their organizational structure and limit committees and activities to those deemed essential.

CALENDARS

The *2012 Officers' Checklist Calendar* (PDF) and interactive *District Officer's and Squadron Officer's Calendars 2012-2013* (PP) are available for download from the website. The calendars contain important dates, deadlines and recommendations as well as the ability for districts and squadrons to add their own events. It is a very useful tool provided for your use and benefit.

LDCOM WEBSITE ADDRESS

<http://www.usps.org/national/ot>

USPS ANNUAL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS & SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

EXPO & Seminars

The EXPO will be Thursday, 26 January from 0800-1700. New this year at the Annual Meeting will be "How To" seminars going on in conjunction with the EXPO. The Administrative Department will present their variety from 1300 - 1700. Keep an eye on the schedule for the actual subjects and times. You won't want to miss these! Another 'don't miss' event at the EXPO is the *Runway Fashion Show* between 1100 and 1300.

Education Opportunties

The Educational Department seminars are scheduled on Thursday, 26 January from 0800-1200. These are the newest seminars that have been developed and are presented at cost or sometimes at no cost.

Educational Department (1300-1500) and Boat Operator Certification (1500-1600) Open meetings will be held on Friday, 27 January. These meetings are very worthwhile for SEO's and other members of your educational team. Most of the DEO's from all across the country will attend and there will be a lot of discussion on what is happening at the national level and presentations from the rear commanders and the ANEO.

"I'm No Einstein" Seminar on Using the National Website

The USPS National website can be a difficult website to navigate. Come learn some tips, techniques and resources available to all USPS members that will make your life easier! They will be covering the many electronic ways USPS has implemented to help you and your members communicate more efficiently. Using these techniques will keep you and your members "in the know" about national happenings before others. The seminar is scheduled for Friday, 27 January from 0900-1000.

WWW.USPS.ORG VS. DB2000 - Why both?

The website has come along way over the last few years and you can accomplish a lot by just having access and knowing what you can do. DB2000 has many of the same features, some different features and the website has different features too. So why would a member need both? Come join us to explore the features of each and discuss how each can be used to help you accomplish your tasks.

All Three Leadership Development Seminars Available In Jacksonville

USPS developed three Leadership Development seminars - Administrative Officer, Executive Officer and Commander. The Commander seminar was Beta tested in late October and will be introduced at Jacksonville. If you are interested in expanding your leadership, teambuilding, presentation, motivation and problem solving skills, these seminars are for you!

Be sure to make your reservations early for the Leadership Development seminars at our Annual Meeting. On Wednesday, 25 January, we will offer the Administrative Officer, Executive Officer and Commander seminars. Instructors will be P/D/C Shirley Heald, AP, Stf/C Susan Darcy, JN and Stf/C Anita F. Walker, JN respectively. Exec and Commander will be offered on Thursday, 26 January with Susan and Anita leading the charge. We will limit each session to 50 people. A working lunch is included. For students completing all six modules, DB2000 designation is provided.

The DAO/SAO course does not have pre-requisites, but students must complete this seminar prior to DXO/SXO and Commander. DXO/SXO is required prior to taking the Commander seminar. Please go to our website and make your reservation(s) before 4 January 2012. If you are an incoming Administrative (or Assistant Admin) or Executive Officer or are currently in the Commander position at either the squadron or district level, the seminars are complimentary. If not, \$60 for each seminar helps defray printing and food costs. www.usps.org/national/ot/ If you have questions, please contact Stf/C Anita Walker, JN.

Social Media

You have heard about Facebook, Twitter, Linked-In and some of the other non-USPS communication items out there, but do you know how to use them for yourself or how to utilize them to promote your squadron? Terri Flagg, a graduate student hired to promote USPS on these medias, will be working with members individually to show them how to setup their own accounts. More details will be announced in the near future. You do not want to miss this if you want to keep your squadron up-to-date as well as impress your family!

KEEP AN EYE ON THE SCHEDULE FOR DATE/TIME CHANGES.

Contributors to "USPS Annual Meeting Highlights & Special Activities" (pages 14-15):
Stf/C Kristi Anderson, P; Stf/C Al Bruhin, SN; and Stf/C Anita Walker, JN

USPS ANNUAL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS & SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

USPS Paddlers Group Event In Melbourne, FL

Over the last few years, paddling has become a very popular sport. More and more people have bought their own kayak or canoe, or even the more recent Paddleboard. Immediately following the Annual Meeting on 29-31 January, 2012, the USPS Paddlers Group will meet for the first time to do what they love to do - go paddling. The event will occur in Viera/Melbourne, FL and includes a guided Eco Tour paddling kayaks in the Thousand Islands near Cocoa Beach, and a day at the Brevard Zoo. The Zoo offers guided tours kayaking around Africa with the giraffe, the rhinoceros, the cheetahs and many other animals. Everyone is invited as there is plenty to do for experienced/non-experienced paddlers and non-paddlers as well as your family and friends. Have new members that you want to show more of USPS to? Invite them all! Details can be found on the D8 website at www.uspsd8.com.

District 8 & Friends Dinner Out At Jacksonville

Come join District 8 members and other USPS Friends for dinner on Thursday, 26 January 2011 in Jacksonville for our traditional Dinner Out! We will be going to the River City Brewing Company which is located across the St John's River from the hotel. The restaurant/bar is right on the river and has a beautiful view of downtown Jacksonville. There is a water taxi that crosses the river and a free shuttle van from the hotel to take care of transportation. Reservation is at 1830, so why not go early, have a few drinks and watch the sunset on the river? After dinner, you are invited for cocktails and conversation in the D/C's suite. You don't want to miss this! <http://www.rivercitybrew.com/> Dutch Treat - RSVP to Kristi Anderson by 22 January - kristi@usps.org.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Thursday, 26 January

0900-1200

District/Squadron Officers
& Members Meeting

1230-1430

1st Timers Orientation

1530-1700

Squadron Development Seminar
"Squadron Revitalization"

Friday, 27 January

0800-1030

Weather Seminar
Guest Speaker Series
NOAA Wayne Weeks

0800-1000

Sail Angle Workshop
"Tools To Communicate
With Your Membership"

0900-1200

Coop Charting Workshop

1030-1200

Legal Seminar
Sq/Dist Legal Issues

1030-1200

Marketing/PR Seminar
"Social Networking"

1300-1500

Town Hall Meeting

1500-1700

Awards & New Life Members

1700

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Stf/C Al and Pat Bruhin
 Coral Ridge Sail and Power Squadron
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P/N/F/Lt Frank and Kathy Dougherty
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 Key West Sail & Power Squadron
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Cdr Janet and Lt Harold Leh
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 Lt/C Clifford Scholz
 P/D/C Gloria & P/C William Schulke
 Sebastian Inlet Sail & Power Squadron
St. Lucie River Power Squadron
Vero Beach Power Squadron

If your name is in RED, it is renewal time!

Thank You All!

D/Lt Shirley Haines, S, Booster Chairwoman



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Enclosed is my tax deductible check in the amount of \$30.00 payable to D/8 USPS.

Return to: **Stf/C William Gillette, AP**

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

2012

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| 25 - 29 Jan | USPS Annual Meeting Jacksonville, FL |
| 27 - 29 Apr | D8 Spring Council & Conference Marriott, Boca Raton, FL |
| 13 - 15 Jul | D8 Summer Rendezvous Pier 66, Ft. Lauderdale, FL |
| 5 - 9 Sep | USPS Governing Board Detroit, MI |
| 21 - 23 Sep | D8 Fall Council & Conference Marriott, Boca Raton, FL |

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