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DISTRICT 8 BRIDGE

Left to Right: C/C Frank Dvorak, SN; D/C Lena Parsons, JN; D/Lt/C Gary Ferguson, JN; D/Lt/C Jack Doyle, SN; D/Lt/C Al Bruhin, SN; D/Lt/C Doris Pfenniger, AP and Stf/C Bill Gillette, AP.



Our 2010-2011 bridge was installed by C/C Frank Dvorak, SN on 24 April 2010 at the Boca Raton Marriott during the Saturday evening banquet at the D8 Spring Conference. Additional photos of awards and the conference weekend are on pages 6 & 7.

All conference photos by D/Lt Arthur Dodd, SN can be viewed online at <http://www.flickr.com/photos/artdodd52/sets/72157624013829728/>

LIFE JACKET FOR LIFE TOUR

Broward County squadrons participate in National Safe Boating Week Life Jacket for Life Tour 2010 - Wear It Florida

Story on page 5.

Photo by Lt Robert Garito, AP



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CALL TO THE FALL COUNCIL

Per District 8 Bylaws Article 5, Section 5.2 and 5.3, District Commander Lena J. Parsons, JN has called the Fall Council meeting for 1500 on Friday, 24 September 2010 at the Marriott at Boca Center, 5150 Town Center Circle, Boca Raton, FL 33483.

Per District 8 Bylaws Article 3, Section 3.1, voting members of the Council include the district bridge, immediate past district commander, chairmen of General Committees (Nominating, Auditing, Planning and Rules) and squadron commanders.

Any member of District 8 will have the privilege of the floor upon recognition by the Chair. All members of the District are encouraged to attend this meeting and commanders should urge bridge officers to be present.

An absent squadron commander may be represented by another bridge officer of the squadron and in the absence of an officer for whom there is an elected assistant, the assistant may act for the principal.

The agenda for this meeting includes:

- Reports of squadron commanders. (Please be prepared to stand and give a verbal report even if your report is already on file).
- Reports of district department chairmen.
- Reports of General Committees.
- Reports of Standing Committees.
- Announcements.
- Other business that may properly come before the Council.

13th Boarman Youth Poster Contest

REMINDER

Bring your squadron winners' posters to the Fall Conference for judging at the district level.

CALL TO THE FALL CONFERENCE

In accordance with the provisions of Article 5 of District 8 Bylaws, District Commander Lena J. Parsons, JN issues the Call to the Fall Conference. It is to be held at the Marriott at Boca Center, 5150 Town Center Circle, Boca Raton, FL 33483. Saturday, 25 September 2010 at 1400.

The purpose of the meeting is to act on matters set forth below.

1. To hear and act upon reports of officers.
2. To consider and act upon any other business that may properly come before the Conference.
3. To consider and act upon reports, resolutions and recommendations from the 2010 Fall Council, officers and committees.

District 8 Bylaws Article 4 and 5 describe the Conference and its functions extensively and are recommended reading for all members.

Section 4.1: The Conference shall be composed of the Council, the past district commanders of this district who are active members of district squadrons, and the delegates which persons shall be the voting members of the Conference.

Section 4.2.1: Delegates shall be selected by each squadron on the basis of one delegate for each twenty five (25) active members in good standing or major fraction thereof as of the preceding 1 March, with a minimum of two (2) delegates per squadron.

Section 4.2.3: Prior to each meeting of the Conference each squadron commander shall submit in writing to the district secretary, a list of the squadron's delegates entitled to vote at the Conference. PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT DELEGATES MAY VOTE ONLY IF NAMES HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED TO SECRETARY PRIOR TO MEETING.

Section 4.2.4: If a delegate is disqualified or unable to attend, the squadron commander may appoint a substitute and notify the secretary prior to the convening of the meeting.

MESSAGE FROM YOUR DISTRICT COMMANDER

D/C Lena J. Parsons, JN

Thank you District 8 for the honor of being your Commander this year. I will honorably serve to the best of my ability. Along with the other dedicated bridge officers you have elected, we will continue the USPS mission to promote recreational safe boating thru self- education and civic service activities, while providing fellowship to USPS members....”and have fun doing it.”

With our present economy and the loss of membership, this year presents challenges to all of us. Our district can only meet the challenges through the tireless efforts of each member working together with the squadron and district with the firm belief that we can make a difference.

According to C/C Frank Dvorak, SN, our focus this year is “Membership is Job One”. Our challenge begins at the squadron level to turn things around. National is providing incentives to help focus on the goal of retaining 88% of our members as of 1 January 2010 and gaining 6,000 new members this year, a 4.7% net growth. Do you know the number your squadron needs to make your goal? The rules have changed for the Squadron New Member Challenge. The squadron with the most new members and the one with the highest percentage will both receive three airline tickets to the annual meeting in Orlando. The Members Benefits Committee has put together a new group of benefits to help members save money on travel and various insurances with more benefits planned in the future.

The Board of Directors announced the deletion of the \$25 membership initiation fee as of 1 December 2010. Squadrons may offer a six months free membership to students who complete ABC3 and meet membership requirements.

Will these new concepts keep and bring new members? There is only one way to find out, but make sure your squadron contacts those valuable members we have who have not renewed. Yes, it takes time, effort and some talent, but your team can do it!

The Summer Rendezvous was a lot of fun with activities such as a docktail party, Palm Beach coffee and donuts, great lunch, trips to Peanut Island, Rybovich Boat Yard and D/C cocktail party. A good time was had by all in spite of the hot weather (Pictures below by D/Lt Art Dodd, SN). Thanks to D/Lt/C Gary Ferguson, JN and D/FI/Lt Kay Allen, P for planning the event, Stf/C Bill Gillette, AP and D/Lt John Belkengren, AP who both wore two hats as great cooks and bartenders, to the boat captains and to all others who helped in any way to make a fun time.

D/8 members, delegates and I will attend the Governing Board Meeting 30 August – 4 September in Bellevue, WA. and report back to you the latest news from National. Have you marked your calendar for the D/8 Fall Conference, 24-26 September? The conference has something for everyone from education to fellowship to fun! Hope to see you there.



D/C Lena Parsons, JN receives her flag of office from C/C Frank Dvorak, SN at the spring conference in Boca Raton.

D 8 Summer Rendezvous 16-18 July 2010 at Sailfish Marina in Palm Beach Shores.

All rendezvous photos by Art Dodd may be viewed online at <http://www.flickr.com/photos/artdodd52/sets/72157624405784339/>



EDUCATIONAL OFFICER Stf/C Al Bruhin, SN

Florida Boating Regulations

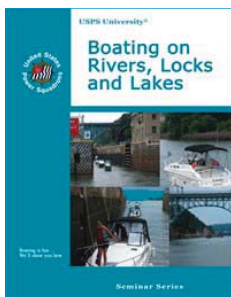
The newest **Florida Boating Regulations** are available on the **DMV** and **FWC** websites. One of the most significant changes is the following requirement for training.

Anyone born on or after January 1, 1988 who operates a vessel powered by 10 horsepower or more must pass an approved boater safety course and have in his/her possession photographic identification and a boating safety education identification card issued by the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.

A summary of all the regulations can be found at http://myfwc.com/rulesandregs/rules_boat.htm

New Boating Seminar on Rivers, Locks and Lakes

A brand new seminar—*Boating on Rivers, Locks and Lakes*—is now available. **This will be the seminar presented at the Fall Conference.** The seminar is designed to meet the needs of our large inland boating membership and the general public. Seminar topics include The Western Rivers System of Navigational Aids; River Boating; and Locking Through. We have numerous rivers and a few locks in Florida so this will be of value to our membership and the general public. This seminar is also one of the requirements for the BOC program. The seminar is particularly suited for introducing students to experienced local boaters and their squadron because the exchange of local information and experiences can be one of the most interesting and important parts of the seminar. Each student will receive a full color student guide. Both Student Kits and an Instructor Kit that includes both the Student Guide and the Instructor Guide and CD may be ordered.



The seminar will be free to anyone registered at the hotel and costs \$22 to others. Since there will be limited seating, as in the past, it is recommended that you register early by sending me an E-mail requesting registration. (Bruhina@cs.com) Put Seminar Registration in the subject line.

Instructor Recertification

We are fortunate to have Anita Walker scheduled to run the Instructor Recertification program at the Fall Conference. Anita's presentations are always interesting and well presented. If your certification is nearing the expiration date, or if you are interested in getting some new pointers, plan to attend. The presentation will be following the seminar. So, if you attend the seminar you can just stay in the same room.

Teaching Aids

The evaluation of Teaching Aids is under review and will most likely be discussed and hopefully finalized at the Fall national meeting. The trend right now is to have the submittals judged at the district level and the winner submitted to national. The submittal process may be changed to be an all electronic submission: The Teaching Aid instructions, drawings to permit other squadrons to build the device, photographs, the course(s) that it applies to and a discussion on how the aid is used to demonstrate the subject. This will result in a national database that will hopefully be made available on line to all instructors. This will be a very valuable asset as the database grows.

Boating Course Assistant

We are continually finding that some squadrons are having difficulty getting their ED-27 information logged in to national. Please remember that only electronically submitted ED-27's will be accepted. Mailed in paper submittals will not be recorded. Also, please check that you are using the latest version of BCA since major changes have been made to this program. It is very important for all BCA users to switch to this revision. Older versions do not support the new ED27 data reporting standards, so the data will not get to where it is required; and worse, the course graduates may not get credit for taking the course. The new version also manages Seminars and supports importing student data from the email generated by the online pre-registration form. For more information and to download the new version, please visit BCA Download on the National Website.

NATIONAL SAFE BOATING WEEK

Operation Life Jacket for Life Tour 2010

By D/Lt Denise Porter, AP & D/Lt/C Jack Doyle, SN

The State of Florida's east coast was host to several special celebration events for National Safe Boating Week, which ran the week of 23 May to 30 May. The theme for National Safe Boating Week was "Life Jacket for Life Tour 2010" – Wear It! The United States Power Squadrons joined the U.S. Coast Guard, Coast Guard Auxiliary, Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, along with Local Maritime Enforcement Agencies to promote the need to wear life jackets and have the proper safety equipment on board while boating with free events along the Intracoastal Waterway.

The kickoff for the week began on Sunday, 23 May in Jacksonville with a free public event at the Sister's Creek – Jim King Park & Boat Ramp on the ICW in Jacksonville. The lead vessel for the "Wear It Florida" campaign was a Florida Fish and Wildlife Jet Boat. Many other vessels joined this lead vessel along its five day, five stop tour, which ended Friday, 28 May at the U.S. Coast Guard Sector Miami headquarters on Watson Island, Miami.

On Thursday, 27 May 2010, the fourth stop was in Pompano Beach at Alsdorf Boat Ramp on the 14th Street Causeway along the ICW. The City of Pompano Beach hosted the event which was sponsored by the Broward Farm Bureau and the Pompano Beach Kiwanis Club. Two weeks prior on 11 May, the Mayor of Pompano Beach, Honorable Lamar Fisher, set forth and presented to the Pompano Beach Power Squadron and Coast Guard Auxiliary a formal proclamation at the City Commissioners' Meeting decreeing the week of 23 May as National Safe Boating Week. This proclamation was stated and presented again to the public at this event.

Photo by D/Lt Denise Porter, AP



L to R: U.S.C.G Flotilla 7-3-4 Auxiliary members, Richard and Gwen Leys, Lt/C Richard Porter, AP; D/Lt/C Jack Doyle, SN; City Commissioner Charlotte Burrie and Mayor Lamar Fisher at the city commission meeting on 11 May .

Together with Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, United States Coast Guard, Coast Guard Auxiliary, Broward Sheriff Office Marine Unit and other marine law enforcement agencies were the Pompano Beach Power Squadron, Coral Ridge Sail and Power Squadron and Ft. Lauderdale Power Squadron who worked diligently to insure the success of this event to promote awareness of the need to have the proper safety equipment on board your boat and to wear your life jacket all the time while boating. The three USPS squadrons expended many hours and resources to help make the event a success. Along with these anchor groups, the event had numerous vendors and businesses that helped make this event successful.

West Marine generously donated numerous life jackets for the free raffle and also performed safety equipment demonstrations. Sea Tow and BoatUS were on hand to answer questions and each gave away a free one year unlimited towing membership. United States Power Squadron and Coast Guard Auxiliary vessel safety examiners were available to perform complimentary courtesy vessel safety inspections. USPS was represented by several National, District 8 and local Power Squadron officers as well as numerous members of the Pompano Beach Power Squadron, Coral Ridge Sail and Power Squadron and Ft. Lauderdale Power Squadron who attended the event to promote the Safe Boating Course, perform vessel safety inspections, answer questions, distribute flyers and information packets on the United States Power Squadrons and the Safe Boating campaign. The Pompano Beach Power Squadron hosted an auction of gifts donated by various local and national businesses the proceeds of which were donated to the Rick Shaw MAJIC 102.7 Children's Fund, promoted USPS educational courses available to the public, civic and fellowship activities, the National Youth Poster Contest, and general information on USPS membership. The Ft. Lauderdale Power Squadron provided snacks and beverages free to the attendees. Coral Ridge Sail and Power Squadron set up an extensive display of safety equipment and the proper method employed to use them. In addition to children's games, music and informational booths, everyone in attendance was treated to the Goodyear Blimp flying overhead as it promoted the event with the safe boating message on its marquee.

Another highlight that was greatly enjoyed, especially by the youth attending, was the Coast Guard helicopter flyover from the U.S Coast Guard Air Station Miami. Shane LeMar kept everyone's toes tapping with live entertaining music under beautiful blue and sunny skies. It was another wonderful day in South Florida.

D8 SPRING CONFERENCE



Website Excellence Award
Coral Ridge and Pompano Beach squadrons



Website Award
Vero Beach, Ft. Lauderdale and Key West squadrons



Russel D. Hartz Attendance Award - Port St. Lucie PS



Commander's Award - D/Lt Allan Furtado, JN



District 8 Member of the Year - Lt/C Daniel Buck, P



District 8 Civic Service Award - Coral Ridge S&PS



Emil Jensen Vessel Safety Check Award and
National VSC 5th Place Squadron - Biscayne Bay PS

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Distinction in Journalism Award

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<i>Newsletter</i> | Marathon
<i>Sombrero Light</i> |
| Cutler Cove
<i>Compass</i> | Palm Beach
<i>Mariner</i> |
| District 8
<i>Pieces of Eight</i> | Port St Lucie
<i>Channel Marker</i> |
| Fort Lauderdale
<i>Gondola</i> | Sebastian Inlet
<i>The Sebastian Inlet</i> |
| Key West
<i>Conch Skipper</i> | Vero Beach
<i>Nautical News</i> |

D8 SPRING CONFERENCE

Key West Hospitality Room



St. Lucie River & Vero Beach Hospitality Room



Kentucky Derby Race Committee



Kentucky Derby Race Time



Kentucky Derby Dinner



Education Seminar



Palm Beach Cafe



Change of Watch Banquet



DISTRICT AND SQUADRON ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER TRAINING

Stf/C Anita F. Walker, JN

Leadership Development Committee

THE TRANSITION FROM WARRIOR TO CHIEFTAIN

The new District and Squadron Administrative Officer Training (DAO/SAO) is coming to locations across the country! More than one hundred students already attended the 5-module, six hour course at either the Pompano Beach Beta or at the Annual Meeting in Orlando.

Our Squadrons and Districts rely upon sound leadership for success. Tough economic times and changing demographics require more of our Bridge Officers than ever before. This training was the vision of our Past Chief Commander, Creighton Maynard, SN and Chief Commander, Frank Dvorak, SN. The Board of Directors approved a roll-out plan for ten cities with financial support from the Century Fund.

Here's an outline of the DAO/SAO course.

Module 1: Leadership Knowledge and Skills – fundamental principles of leadership and management in the USPS setting.

Module 2: Teambuilding Techniques – methods for developing and managing high-performance work teams and committees.

Module 3: Problem Solving (interactive case study) – conflict resolution, growth, member involvement, preventing squadron dissolution – hands on application from Modules 1 and 2.

Module 4: USPS Structure (OT in today's USPS) – USPS structure, jobs, responsibilities and traditions. Brief review of Operations Training (OT). If you are either on the Bridge or intend to serve, you should have already taken OT.

Module 5: Planning and Executing Effective Meetings (USPS application for Bridge members) – rules of the road for general, committee, dinner, Council, District and other USPS meeting settings.

All students, who complete the course, receive an LDAO designation in DB2000 and a certificate. Detailed course notes are provided to each participant. Registration forms are available on the Leadership Development website. www.usps.org/national/ot/

The ten cities include: Boston, New York, Baltimore, Atlanta, New Orleans, Dallas, Chicago, Cleveland, Los Angeles and Bellevue (Governing Board.) In addition, D/33 – Puerto Rico, is planning to hold classes in their geography. Anyone can attend any of the sessions. The website also has dates, logistics, registration forms, faculty bios, contact folks and other important information.

A LOOK AHEAD

In early October, 2010, we will Beta Test the new DXO/SXO course designed for Executive Officers. This will be held in Pompano Beach on 9 October. This hands-on training will use the skills and knowledge gained during the Administrative Officer training. It will be introduced at the 2011 Annual Meeting in Orlando. The DAO/SAO course will be a pre-requisite for participation in DXO/SXO. So be sure you attend the Administrative Officer course in any of the available locations.

This course will be free for incoming and sitting Administrative Officers – Squadron and District. Others will be charged \$50 to defray costs. All members are welcome based on availability. Pre-registration is required for all classes and space is limited – (maximum attendance - 40.) If you have questions, you can contact me at 954-781-8061 or anita5040@bellsouth.net. See the website, listed above, for more details and contact information.



C/C Frank Dvorak, SN and Stf/C Anita Walker, JN at the spring conference. Photo by D/Lt Arthur Dodd, AP

TO THE D/8 MEMBERSHIP FROM P/D/C MALISCHKA DUNLAP, AP

Friendships and memories were made this past year that I will always treasure.

Your help was appreciated and it made the work easier as it gave me the opportunity to get to know you better. You helped with the 'Meet & Greet' socials, preparing food, serving drinks, setting up booths for meetings, loading and unloading items for the events, driving to Sam's for items needed in Kansas City, and the list continues. In Orlando as Kay Allen & I were making many trips to unload the car, Harold Leh appeared and asked "Can I help?". He was our "guardian angel for the day," as we were tired from having to walk and carry items a long distance in the rain to the suite. Whether your help was big or small, it made a difference!

Our district "Chocolate Extravaganza Party" at the national meeting in Orlando was a great success! Our attendance was over 200 members. My sincere appreciation to all 38 members of D8 for their participation and contribution for this delightful "Meet & Greet" social.

D8 is proud of its members and their contributions in making our events enjoyable and memorable.

My appreciation is extended to the following squadrons for their hospitality during the change of watch events: Coral Ridge - Cutler Cove - Homestead - Marathon - Miami - Palm Beach - Port St. Lucie - St Lucie River - and Vero Beach.

It was a busy year with attendance of meetings, seminars, celebration of "National Safe Boating Week," working at the Treasure Coast Waterway Cleanup, Treasure Coast Hurricane Fair, summer rendezvous in Del Ray Beach, and attending four "Celebrations of Life" for our very own D8 members.

In conclusion, I would like to ask, "Do you have a 'Bucket List?'" - things or items you would like to complete in your lifetime. Well, due to the national meeting held in Anaheim, I completed one item on my list: Attending a service at the Crystal Cathedral. Words cannot describe the inspiring and architectural beauty of the Crystal Cathedral!

I would like to express my appreciation to all squadrons and the D8 Bridge for your donations for the Commander's gift: A Panasonic DMZ - ZS3 digital camera. I plan to use the camera for some great pictures in Europe this fall!

A special note of "Thanks" to all D8 members. Our district had a fantastic 2009-2010 term. Let's continue the support and success for District 8!

"Thank you for the wonderful memories" and giving me the honor of being your District Commander.

HOMELAND SECURITY UPDATE

HOMELAND SECURITY IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY

P/R/C Bill Husted, SN
Homeland Security Team Leader
District 8 Public Relations Officer

Just as every USPS member should be on the lookout for new members, every USPS member should be more aware of security threats in the aftermath of 9/11. This is particularly important to us in D/8 with our extensive coastline along the Atlantic Ocean from Sebastian to Key West. Part of the National Government and Partner Relations Committee is the Homeland Security team, of which I am proud to be team leader. The main mission of the HS team is to participate cooperatively with Citizen Corps. USPS signed an Affiliate Agreement with this branch of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) a year ago. Of the not quite 30 official partners of Citizen Corps, USPS is essentially the only "eyes and ears on the water" as a civilian protective force. The second component of the HS team is to support the U.S. Coast Guard's "America's Waterway Watch" program. Recall, too, that USPS has a similar program called "America's Waterway Awareness." Both programs encourage vigilance and the reporting of suspicious activity to proper authorities.

HS activities are coordinated by the District Homeland Security Officer or in the absence of a D/HS/O, the District Liaison Officer. In District 8 we are fortunate to have both. Anita Walker, JN, newly appointed Stf/C, of Pompano Beach, is our D/L/O, and just recently Lt/C Phil Bouckaert, AP, of Palm Beach Sail and Power Squadron, has agreed to be our D/8 HS Officer. A number of activities are being coordinated by district. Limited space doesn't permit me to list them, but our D/L/O and D/HS/O should be contacting their counterparts at all squadrons for a host of activities members may participate in. There's a lot of work to be done. I encourage you to embrace these most important homeland security initiatives...for our good as USPS members and for the good of the country.

CHIEF COMMANDER'S REPRESENTATIVE

V/C JOHN ALTER, SN



John and his wife Judy live in Whispering Pines, NC and are members of the Raleigh Sail and Power Squadron in District 27. Both are natives of Toledo, OH. John joined the Toledo Power Squadron (D/29) in 1970. In 1977 he was transferred to Cleveland, OH and became a member of the Rocky River Power Squadron (D/7). He served on

the squadron bridge, and was commander in 1985 and 1987. He also served as D7 treasurer. In 1990 he was transferred back to Toledo and served on the D/29 bridge, including district commander in 1996. He has taught the Boating, Seamanship and Piloting courses. At the national level, he served as national treasurer from 2003 to 2005 and national administrative officer in 2008 and 2009. He has been an aide to three chief commanders and served on the Budget Committee for nine years. He is a life member with 29 merit marks.

We look forward to welcoming John and Judy at our Fall Conference in September.

BOAT OPERATOR CERTIFICATION

R/C RICHARD PFENNIGER, SN

A training video was shot at the Ponce Inlet Coast Guard Station from 14-18 June. This video will be used for training in the Boat Operator Certification Program. The level is Inland Waters. The finished product should be out this Fall.

Left to right are R/C Richard C. Pfenniger, SN, R/C Herman Green, SN, Camera man, Allen Peterson—Video director. Photo by Dick Allsopp, AP, Jacksonville PS.



FROM THE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

This past April, we held our first conference at the Boca Raton Marriott at the Boca Center. Judging by the overwhelming congratulatory comments following the conference, the new location has been well received. The guestroom upgrades, meeting facilities, registration area and the surrounding Boca Center all received high marks, but most credit was for the fabulous breakfast that the Marriott included in the USPS room rate.

However, not wanting to rest on our laurels, your Conference Committee wants to keep offering you bigger and better. I understand a couple of members felt they should be able to use their squadron checks to pay the guest room charges, regretfully that will not be possible. However, when you have reserved your room on your credit card for the Fall Conference with the hotel, if you wish to take advantage of the District's tax exempt status you will need to mail the District a squadron or personal check for your room and meals at the time you send in your meal reservation form. Your room will then be added to the District Master account and settled by the District Treasurer. To reiterate, this will need to be done before the conference starts, not during the weekend as the accounts department at the Marriott will not be open.

Some further changes, I am delighted to say that P/D/Lt/C John Belkengren, AP is going to assume the role of Conference Reservation Chairman, so remember to mail your reservation form and check to him. Make his job easier by mailing your reservations early. The Fall Conference will have a printed itinerary with your tickets, an oversight in April that will be rectified for future conferences. Another change happening relates to the "See the Sea" themed meal; this will be full plated service rather than the buffet style, something I know some lady member attendees prefer.

Finally, for a conference to be successful a lot of behind the scenes work has to be accomplished. If you see a smooth flowing event, that is because your committee is hard at work for you – Bill, John, Dean, Eunice, Charlie, Joan, Frank, Kathy, Peter, Kay, Kristi, Mike, Marlene, Debbie and Laura – Take a bow.

Nigel



DISTRICT 8 FALL CONFERENCE 24 - 26 SEPTEMBER, 2010

Marriott at Boca Center, 5150 Town Center Cir Boca Raton FL 33486

Room Rate: \$112.00 (including Buffet Breakfast) **Deadline for Rate - 10 September 2010**

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FRIDAY 24 SEPTEMBER 2010

- 1400-1645 USPS® Registration
- 1500-1630 Fall Council
- 1845-2230 Reception/Cash Bar
- 1930-2230 "See the Sea" Party

SATURDAY 25 SEPTEMBER 2010

Uniform D or suitable attire
Palm Beach Café

- 0800-0900 Public Relations The Channel to Success
- 0800-1000 Operations Training An Introduction to OT
- 0830-1030 Education Boating on Rivers, Locks and Lakes
- 0900-1100 Cooperative Charting An Overview
- 1000-1130 Membership Reach your New Member Goal
Involvement & Retention Keeping Members
- 1000-1200 DB2000 OD-2, Merit Mark Submissions & Roster
- 1030-1230 Re-Certify as an Instructor (ID is a pre-requisite)
- 1400-1600 Conference
- 1845-2300 Reception/Cash Bar
- 1930-2300 Banquet Uniform A with bow tie or suitable attire.

SUNDAY 26 SEPTEMBER 2010

USPS Casual or suitable attire

- 0900-1200 Squadron Officers Meeting
- 0900-1200 Educational Department Meeting

FRIDAY EVENING "SEE THE SEA": Plated \$ 42.50

*Classic Caesar Salad
with Garlic Toasted Croutons*

Choice of Entrée:

- Grilled Tilapia* *Pan Seared Chicken Breast*
- with Pineapple Mango Relish* *with Lemon, Capers,
Oven Dried Tomatoes*

*Roasted Redskin Potatoes
Chef's Seasonal Fresh Vegetables*

Choice of Dessert:

- Key Lime Pie* *Fresh Fruit Tart*

*Dress as ANYTHING on or under the Sea!
Prizes for Unique Costumes*

SATURDAY BANQUET: Plated \$ 42.50

*Mixed Greens with Cucumbers, Tomatoes, Carrots.
Served with Balsamic Vinaigrette Dressing*

Choice of Entrée:

- Almond Crusted* *Herb Roasted*
- Chicken Florida* *Pork Loin*
- with Orange Beurre Blanc* *with Red Onion Compote*

*Roasted Fingerling Potatoes
Chef's Seasonal Fresh Vegetables*

Choice of Dessert:

- Lemon Cream Cake* *Chocolate Mousse Cake*
- With Fresh Berries* *with Chocolate Sauce*

Uniform A with bow tie or suitable attire

Complete and mail reservation form to: P/D/Lt/C John A Belkengren, AP, 1415 Truman Ave, Key West FL 33040

Note: Meal reservations and check must be received by 17 September 2010

DISTRICT 8 FALL CONFERENCE MEAL RESERVATION				FRI	SAT	TOTAL
RANK	NAME	GRADE	ARE YOU A FIRST TIMER?	\$42.50	\$42.50	
				Please CIRCLE choice of one Entrée and one Dessert		
				Fish OR Chicken Key Lime OR Fruit Tart	Chicken OR Pork Lemon OR Chocolate	
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I enclose a check (made payable to District 8) for \$						

SQUADRON:

EMAIL:

BOOSTERS

D/Lt Katherine Allen
 Ray & Merry Amodio
 Shirley Becker
 P/D/Lt/C John Belkengren & Stf/C William Gillette
 P/C Woody & Karen Boarman
 P/C Constance Bretz
 P/D/C Reinhard & Ruth Bruderer
 Hal Burke II & Wendy Mervis
 D/Lt/C Jack and Judy Doyle
 P/D/C Malischka Dunlap
 D/Lt/C Gary Ferguson
 P/R/C Ronald & Helena Friedman
 D/Lt Shirley and Lt/C Michael Haines
 P/R/C William & Lynne Husted
 Chaplain Rodney & Lt Sandy Landsman
 Miami Sail and Power Squadron
 P/D/C William & Jan Morrison
 Palm Beach Sail & Power Squadron
 D/C Lena J. Parsons
 R/C Richard & D/Lt/C Doris Pfenniger
 Lt Eunice Polloway & P/C Dean Jackson
 Stf/C Lee & P/C Eva Popham
 P/D/C Stuart Rapee
 Lt/C Clifford & Rosetta Scholz
 P/D/C Gloria & P/C William Schulke
 Sebastian Inlet Sail & Power Squadron
 Vero Beach Power Squadron

Thank You All!

D/Lt Shirley Haines, S, Booster Chairman

BE A BOOSTER !

D/8 "PIECES OF EIGHT" BOOSTER

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

Return to: **Stf/C William Gillette, 1415 Truman Ave, Key West, FL 33040**

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

SQUADRON: _____



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

2010

30 Aug – 4 Sep USPS Governing Board
 Bellevue, WA

24 - 26 Sep Fall Council and Conference
 Marriott Boca Raton

2011

31 Jan - 5 Feb USPS Annual Meeting
 Orlando, FL

29 Apr - 2 May Spring Council and Conference
 Marriott Boca Raton

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 Conference

17 September Reservations for meal reservations
 Fall Conference

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From the North: I-95 to Glades Road, travel west to Butts Road and take a left on to Butts Road to Town Center Circle and turn left, follow Town Center Circle to its end.

From Florida Turnpike: Glades Road Exit; travel east on Glades Road to Butts Road and turn right, take Butts Road to Town Center Road and turn left, follow Town Center Road to its end.

Parking: Complementary on site parking. Valet parking \$10 per day.