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CALL TO THE FALL COUNCIL

Per District 8 Bylaws Article 5, Section 5.2 and 5.3, District Commander Mary Dodd, SN has called the Fall Council meeting for 1400 on Friday, 26 September 2014 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 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.

Photos in this issue

by

D/Lt Art Dodd, SN

Palm Beach Sail & Power Squadron

CALL TO THE FALL CONFERENCE

In accordance with the provisions of Article 5 of District 8 Bylaws, District Commander Mary Dodd, SN 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, 27 September 2014 at 1330.

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 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 Mary Dodd, SN

I am honored to have been selected to serve as District 8's Commander. I would like to thank everyone for showing their confidence in me by electing me Commander of District 8. This year I have three goals:

1. To reverse the downward trend in membership; our membership has been steadily falling since April of 2012.
2. To improve attendance at district functions.
3. To have a fun, exciting and successful 75th year.

In order to meet these goals, I will need all of you to help.

DISTRICT 8 75th ANNIVERSARY



At this year's Spring Conference, preparation for the year-long celebration of District 8's 75th Anniversary were underway when our district accepted a new District 8 Flag at the Spring Council. When a district or squadron reaches 75 years, a platinum border can be placed around their flag.



The 75th Anniversary will be celebrated throughout the year with our main celebration taking place during the Fall Conference which will be held at the Marriott at Boca Town Center.

D/Lt/C Alan Furtado, SN and Cdr Marjorie Baraff, AP donated a new 36"X60" District 8 Flag at the Spring conference.

2013 Fall and Spring Conference Attendance

At last year's Fall Conference and the Spring Conference just past, we failed to meet our contractual obligations resulting in the District having to pay the difference to the hotel. Last fall we failed on two counts; to meet our room required nights and our Food and Beverage requirement. This spring while we met our F & B figures we were ten nights short of our contracted figures.

UNEXPECTED VACANCIES FILLED

Following a few unexpected vacancies arising for a District Conference Chair and District Flag Lieutenant, those vacancies have been filled as follows:

- **District Conference Chair:** 1st/Lt Mike Jackson, JN from Sebastian Inlet squadron, having run several conferences in his professional life, volunteered to serve as District Conference Committee chairman. P/R/C Nigel Hargreaves, SN has agreed to help him negotiate his way through the next conference and with Bridge input we will have a 75th Anniversary weekend to remember. However it can only be financially viable if you, the members, turn out, stay in the hotel and attend the functions. It has also come to our attentions using Marriott Reward points does not count towards District 8's room commitment. Therefore please pay for the room when staying for a conference or other District event and use your Marriott Rewards Points when you go on vacation.
- **District Flag Lieutenant:** Lt/C (P/D/C) Gloria Schulke, JN has agreed to be District 8 Flag Lieutenant. With her experience as Past District Commander and her service on national committees, she will be a great Flag Lieutenant.

Position Vacancy to be filled

We are looking for someone to act as the Awards Chair by working closely with Stf/C Richard Pfenniger, SN to hand out awards at the District Conference.

District 8 Rendezvous 11-13 July 2014

This year it will be held at the Marriott on Hutchison Island. We will be having some interesting activities this year. See flyer with Schedule of Events on page 12. Hope to see you all there.

FROM AFTER THE HELM

P/D/C Diana Jackson, SN

It was a great pleasure to have been your commander and to have served you this past year. We have held two successful district conferences, a very wet rendezvous and had strong representation from District 8 at both our National meetings.

At the Rendezvous, we tested out an afternoon Ice Cream Social, and it was such a hit, it was still going when the Saturday evening cocktail party started. We took the ice cream social on the road to San Antonio, and again it was so well received we ran out! So one thing to say, USPS likes their ice cream! In San Antonio, our Hospitality Chairman for National Meetings R/C Kristi Anderson, P organized a dinner for D/8 down on the Riverwalk.

We celebrated USPS 100th Anniversary at both our District conferences and National meetings. I am looking forward to our 75th year under the leadership of D/C Mary Dodd, SN.

THANK – YOU’S:

A person who reminded you to get your articles in for the Pieces of Eight has stepped down as our editor for this upcoming year, P/D/C Marlene Herbig, SN. She held this job for four years and did a fantastic job for us. Marlene would hound you to the finish, mainly because she was going on a cruise when it was completed. We will miss her, but we welcome her replacement D/Lt Kathy Babin to this new position.

I want to thank my home squadron of Sebastian Inlet Sail & Power Squadron for their support of both of the D/C’s cocktail parties and to Sebastian’s Lt/C David “Mag” Mangold, N for playing guitar at my Change Of Watch D/C’s party. He also played a boatswain whistle and piped all 33 districts 100th year flags up to the stage at the National Annual Meeting in Jacksonville.

Another person who gave a great helping hand throughout my year as commander was P/D/C Jack Doyle, SN. He organized, set-up and flipped pancakes for our Rendezvous breakfast and he worked a shift bartending in San Antonio. A personal thank-you to Jack!

A few of the people I would like to thank is DEO Stf/C Dick Pfenniger, SN for helping D/8 win a prestigious award from Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission for the Florida Educator of the Year Award. This went to a well-deserved D/Lt Daniel Thomas, SN. Dan also was our Operations Training Committee Chairman and D/8 won 2nd place amongst all the districts for Operations Training.

At National, Biscayne Bay won the fourth best squadron in USPS for an outstanding contribution and support to Vessel Safety Checks. Cdr Marjorie Baraff, AP personally received her 11th year Century Club award for having over 100 VSC in a year. Margie was one of my aides and after having to fix my black cross-over tie multiple times, she ended up sending me a package containing a black cross-over tie with Velcro. I cannot go wrong now, thank you Margie!

I also want to thank the rest of my bridge, Executive Officer, D/Lt/C Mary Dodd, SN as we worked very well together and D/F/Lt Al Furtado, SN for his support throughout the year. They were there to listen when I needed help and assistance! To R/C Bill Gillette, AP who kept my expenses in line and reminded me of my remaining funding, D/Lt/C Evelyn Northrup, AP for keeping our minutes straight and DAO, D/Lt/C Jon Bensman, AP for the conference Saturday morning organization with the assistance of our Conference Chairman, Stf/C Gary Ferguson, JN. I was in constant communication with him throughout my year. Gary has not had an easy year being Conference Chairman either, and issues continued right thru this past conference. Gary has put in never-ending hours to try to satisfy all our district members and look for our best bang for our buck - Thank you Gary!

Another member of my commander’s team needing an enormous thank-you is Merit Mark Chairman P/N/F/Lt Frank Dougherty, AP. He has given many hours to making sure we all get our merit marks.

Thanks to our District and National Chaplain and District Parliamentarian, N/Chpln Rod Landsman, AP for taking the extra

FROM AFTER THE HELM

P/D/C Diana Jackson, SN

time to prepare a special benediction for our meetings and dinners.

Thanks to our Photographer, D/Lt Arthur Dodd, SN who spends multiple hours at District and National functions taking pictures, then numerous hours to develop and review before placing them on Flickr for all of us to view.

Thanks to very talented and creative members, Rosalie Goebel, who created 100-year anniversary jewelry that she was able to display and sell at our conferences, rendezvous and at our Governing Board in San Antonio and our 100th year Chairman D/Lt Bob Scully, N who had unlimited ideas in how to promote our 100th year anniversary and is continuing on our District's 75th Planning Committee.

A huge hug goes out to P/R/C Nigel Hargreaves, SN and V/C Peter Mitchelson, SN for their unlimited support. I cannot count how many times I would need to call/email and ask for guidance, assistance, how to handle something etc. They were always there for me and I want to give them double the thanks!

Finally, I want to thank my husband 1st/Lt Mike Jackson, JN for his unconditional, unselfish support to me throughout my district bridge years. His constant work behind the scenes removed a lot of pressure off of me. It is invaluable to have the support of your spouse/significant other while on the bridge for three years. I also provided him my Commander's award this year for this support.

There are so many other people who gave me advice and guidance that if I named every one of you, I would take up the whole newsletters. I appreciated your candor and support and I want to thank everyone for a successful year!

P/D/C Diana G Jackson, SN

I have taken the next step and joined the National Budget Committee for the Executive and Secretary Departments as a Staff Commander.

Stf/C Diana G Jackson, SN



PUBLIC RELATIONS

By D/Lt Robert Scully, N



75 Year Anniversary Blast

This 26-28 September we, District 8, will be kicking off the celebration of our 75th Anniversary, at the Fall Conference. We need your support and would like you to spread the word in your respective squadrons. We would also like you to orchestrate the following:

2014 FALL CONFERENCE

1. Promote this event and encourage all to come. For details go to <http://www.uspsd8.org/eventdocs/201406071013520.conferencesheet2.pdf>
2. Put together a slide presentation about your squadron's history from its inception for display at the conference on Saturday morning. Provide your own battery operated equipment.
3. Bring your squadron burgees for a display over the weekend.
4. Battle ribbons will be removed from the 100th Anniversary USPS Ensign and returned to the squadron commanders at a ceremony during the 2014 fall conference banquet.

SQUADRON SPECIAL EVENT

5. During the next few months your squadron will select two possible 2014-2015 events/dates as a tribute to District 8 75 Year Anniversary. Your squadron will be notified which date is available at the Officers' Meeting held during the fall conference.
6. Your squadron's Battle ribbon will be attached to the D/8 flag with 75th Anniversary border at your special event with D/8 bridge officer/s in attendance.
7. Take pictures at this event.

2015 FALL CONFERENCE

8. Squadron battle ribbons will be returned to the squadron commanders at a ceremony at the 2015 Fall Conference for the final 75th Anniversary event (squadron pictures of their event will be great to have at this banquet).

Please submit to me the following data, so I may include your plan and schedule date as part of a write up for the newsletter and a possible follow on to national for inclusion in the Ensign.

- Your squadron, the Cdr, the PR Chair and or Event Chair for this event, the event title and the event description along with a few pictures.
- Post it to our Facebook page
<https://www.facebook.com/pages/USPS-District-8/225852064137919>
- Share it on our SailAngle connection
<http://www.sailangle.com/group/home/groupid/116>

Questions: Please email your question to ensure we get the correct answer the first time.

Regards,
D/Lt (P/C) Robert Scully, N
USPS District 8 Public Relations Officer

WELCOME ABOARD NEW MEMBERS!

The following new members have joined squadrons in our district since 16 February 2014. Please encourage each one of them to participate in activities - educational, civic service and fraternal that USPS, District 8 and your squadron offer. We look forward to seeing all of you at our district functions.

Coral Ridge

David Wren Cowling
Victor Hebert
Cynthia Hoy
Glenn Rice
Barbara J. Voltmer
William V. Voltmer

Key West Sail &

Chase A. Arnold
Marty Jo Boldin
Heather Carruthers
Bradley C. Hagerman
Lewis C. Haskell
Susan M. Haskell
Douglas Jacobik
Christopher E. Kline
Mike D. Lambert
Christine B. Liniger
Sandi M. McMurray
Victor E. Moretta
Christian Sigler
Maria A. Sims
Judy D. Starrveld
Claude Vogel
Heidi M. Wagner
Bridget M. Woods
Fred Zensen

Fort Lauderdale

Paul Clive
Eric A. Didio
Jarvis Francis
Alvaro R. Gonzalez

Fort Lauderdale (Continued)

Charles A. Harding
Susan Harding
Todd Keating
Rande Samuel
Debra Schoder
George Shifrin
William Sypher

Palm Beach Sail &

Frank Curtin
Joann Curtin
George G. Dohn
Patti M. Dohn
Frances C. Fox
Robert W. Freiday
Helene C. Hvizd
Karen Mayer
Alan Seaman
Kristina M. Sieckowski
Randy W. Skiles

Pompano Beach Sail &

Katherine J. Hendrickson
Marc S. Lewison
Patrick J. McDonald
Robert E. Miley
Richelle R. Porter
David M. Skoog
Merrily C. Sparling
Alfred H. Sparling, Jr.

St. Lucie River

William Avery
Gordon J. Girvin

St. Lucie River (Continued)

Nikita R. Girvin
Bennett Daniel McCarthy
Kathryn McCord
Marie Webster
Marie Webster

Sebastian Inlet Sail &

Charmaine M. Brayton
Deborah A. Sladen
Richard T. Sladen

Vero Beach

Patricia Barrett
Colleen M. Blados
Edwin F. Blados
William G. Chicoine
Joseph M. Davis
Sharon L. Davis
Gus Fort
Martha Friberg
Carolyn Guyette
Murray Hardie
Michael J. Heaphy
Suzanne Heaphy
John H. Mcfarland
Mary A. Neville
Rey A. Neville
Joagnes Pasquarella
Jane T. Stansfield
James Updyke
Barbara L. Wilson
Barbara H. Ziemba
Michael D. Ziemba

BE A BOOSTER

DISTRICT 8 NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT. PLEASE SEND YOUR BOOSTER MEMBERSHIP OF \$30.00 TO R/C BILL GILLETTE, AP. YOUR MEMBERSHIP HELPS SUPPORT D/S PUBLICATIONS AND YOUR MEMBERSHIP IN THE BOOSTER CLUB IS GREATLY APPRECIATED.

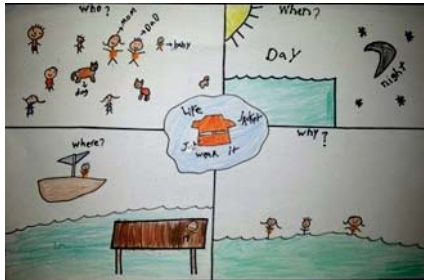
USPS 17th Annual Boarman National Youth Poster Contest

Cdr Denise A. Porter, JN

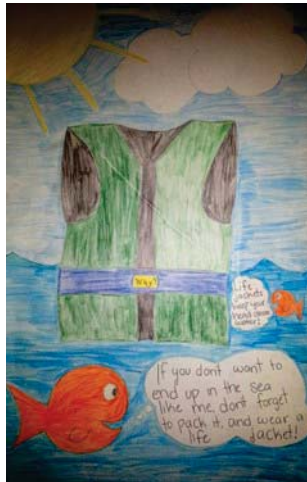
District 8 Youth Activities Chairman

D/8 held the 17th Annual Boarman National Youth Poster Contest at the Spring Conference on 3 May at the Marriott at Boca Center. I want to thank Vero Beach Power Squadron, Homestead Power Squadron and Pompano Beach Power Squadron for their hard work and enthusiasm in the very worthwhile activity.

We had fantastic posters for all three age groups with the contest theme being the 'W's of Wear It!' (who, when, where or why?). Following are the three first place winning posters, which will be submitted to be judged at the National Conference in January 2015.



Katherine Ortega
Age Group: 6-8 years
Vero Beach Power Squadron



Maya Sutriasa
Age Group: 12-14 years
Vero Beach Power Squadron



Abigail Valle
Age Group: 9-11 years
Homestead Power Squadron

Here are the names of the other winners:

- Age Group 6 – 8:** Rory Porter, 2nd Place, Pompano Beach Power Squadron
 Kamila Vazquez, 3rd Place, Vero Beach Power Squadron
- Age Group 9 – 11:** Dusalmita Rosas, 2nd Place, Homestead Power Squadron
 Aliza Espallat, 3rd Place, Vero Beach Power Squadron
- Age Group 12- 14:** Mac Heady, 2nd Place, Vero Beach Power Squadron
 Gianfranco Sorrentino, 3rd Place, Homestead Power Squadron

Involvement of the youth in our community should be a priority. Raising awareness to boat/water safety at a young age can have nothing but positive effects going forward. Our goal is for 100% participation by the D/8 squadrons next year as this would demonstrate our commitment to the community by advocating safe boating to our youth. Your squadron commander will be contacted in January 2015 with information on the 18th Annual Youth Poster Contest. If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact me at daporterpbs@aol.com.

D/8 SPRING CONFERENCE Awards



Cdr Marnie Sullivan AP Attendance Award - Sebastian Inlet



D/8 Member of the Year; 1st/Lt Joseph A. Caraccia, AP - Pompano Beach



Vessel Safety Check - 1st Place Biscayne Bay,
2nd Place Palm Beach, 3rd Place Vero Beach



D/F/Lt Allan Furtado, SN, VSC Achievement Award- Pompano Beach



Coop Charting 25 Years; Palm Beach

Individual Awards

D/8 SPRING CONFERENCE

Awards



Life Member Awards



Service Awards



Distinctive Communicator (Newsletter) Awards



Distinctive Communicator (Website) Awards



Doing It Right Awards



Educational Proficiency Awards

VESSEL SAFETY CHECK

News Updates Reminders

Hello D/8 from your Vessel Safety Check Chairman, P/R/C Margie Baraff, AP.



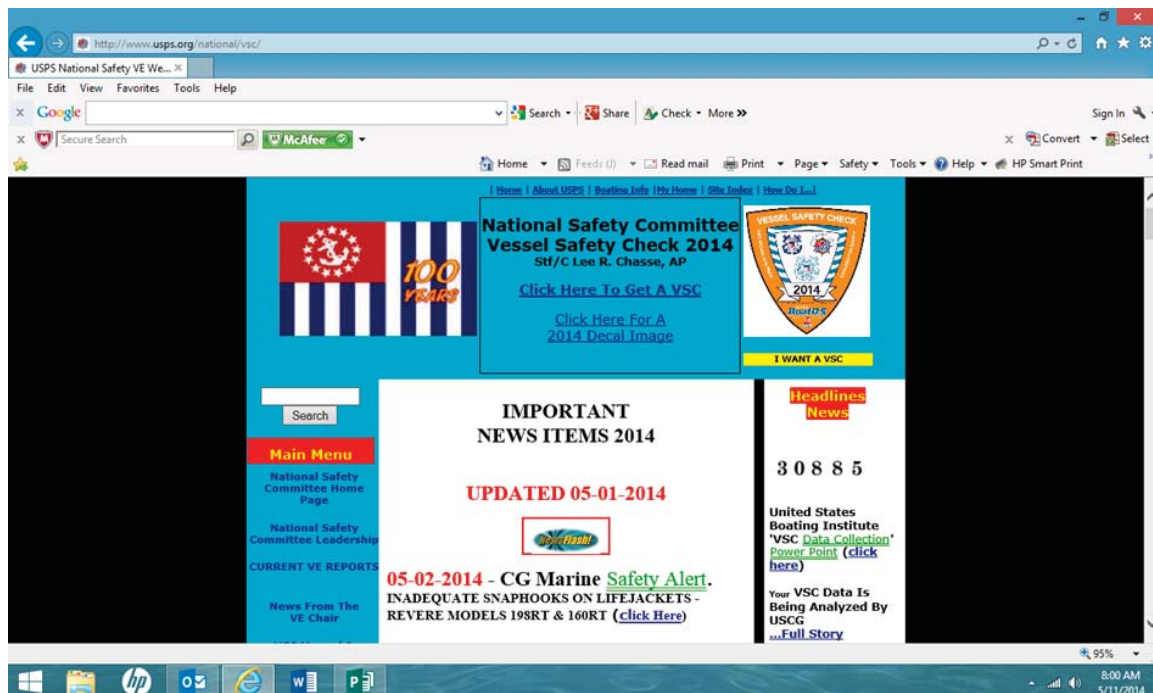
I'm happy to have the opportunity to take you on a tour of the national VSC website homepage. It is always packed with information and updates for Vessel Examiners and Safety Officers as well as squadron newsletter Editors and Webmasters.

Go to: <http://www.usps.org/national/vsc/> and click around, explore and find some "need to know" and some "nice to know" announcements and articles.

1. At the top of the page you are just a click away from directions to copy and save an image of the current VSC decal to use in your publications or on a USPS® business card.
2. On the left margin are active phrases that you can click to take you to USPS National Safety Committee pages, Current VE Reports, Vessel Examiner Manual updates and certification test, the on-line VSC submittal form, supplies, FAQ and more.
3. On the right margin you'll see headlines with links to articles on general boating safety.
4. And, staged front and center you'll find a long, scrolling list of "Important News Items" that are updated on an as needed basis—sometimes daily.

Please take advantage of all the VSC and safe boating information that the site has to offer. If you have questions, or need help navigating through the pages, give me a call or send an email.

Margie



USPS District 8 Summer Rendezvous

11–13 July 2014

Hutchinson Island Marriott Beach Resort & Marina

1-800-775-5936

SPECIAL RATE GROUPE CODE:

uspuspa

Rooms may still be available!



Schedule of Events:

Friday, 11 July 2014

- Check-in
- 1300-1400: District 8 Golf Tournament: 9-hole (2 person scramble format). Contact P/C John Goebel, SN (772-708-7877; johngoebel@cs.com).
- 1700–2200: Hospitality (Bessie Suite 1314/1316).
- Dinner: on your own.

Saturday, 12 July 2014

- 0800–0930: Breakfast (Bessie Ste 1314/1316)
- 0930–1130: Officers Meeting.
- Lunch: on your own.
- 1130: Elliott Museum Tour. Contact D/Lt/C Al Furtado, SN (732-829-0888; abfurtado@comcast.net).
- 1600–1700: Ice Cream Social & Team Trivia (Bessie Suite 1314/1316).
- 1700–1815 & 2030–Closing: Hospitality (Bessie Suite 1314/1316).
- 1830: Dinner at Prawnbroker restaurant in Seewalls Point (order from the menu). Contact D/Lt Ronald Babin, S (954-232-3725; rbabin@hyperband.com).

Full Service Marina

- Slips on Intracoastal Waterway
- 25' or less: \$25/day
- 26' or more: \$2/ft/day (\$1.75/ft/day 10 or more boats)
- Power: 30 Amp \$8/day, 50 Amp \$12/day
- Water & cable (no charge); WIFI NOT included; Pump-out Facility

Activities Available (additional fees may apply):

- **Golf:** Par 61 Private Course, Aqua Driving Range, Putting Green, Pro Shop.
- **Tennis:** 13 Courts (grass) - 5 lighted, Clinics, Lessons.
- **Bicycles:** available for rent.
- **Fitness Center:** open 24/7 (free).
- **Pool:** Latitudes Tiki Bar (lunch/snacks).
- **Beach:** free shuttle from main hotel; chairs/lounges available, Sandpiper snack/lunch bar.
- **Playground:** fenced-in area for kids to play; picnic tables & bbq grills.
- **Sport Fishing:** “Lady Stuart” Deep Sea Fishing Head Boat; Half & Full Day Charter Boats.
- **Water Sports:** Available for rent—waverunners, kayaks, pontoon boats, flat

THE 2014 GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

07-14 September 2014

This will be fun and informative for all. Go to the National Website and download your registration form for day and night tours of Washington DC and to see what workshops and festivities are happening during the Governing Board Meeting.

2014 Governing Board

Sunday, September 07, 2014 - Sunday, September 14, 2014

Arlington, VA

MEAL RESERVATIONS OPEN

[To begin your online reservation - click here](#)

Hyatt Regency Crystal City

This is the main meeting Hotel

[Hotel Web Site](#)

2799 Jefferson Davis Highway,

Arlington VA 22202

Telephone: 703 418-1234

Rate: \$149.00

FALL CONFERENCE 26-28 SEPTEMBER 2014

Marriott at Boca Town Center

75th Anniversary Celebration

Come celebrate District 8's 75th Anniversary. See District 8's Fall Conference Registration Sheet on page 17. Don't forget to make your fall conference reservations at the Marriott at Boca Center, and remember to make a check to District 8, and mail to R/C Bill Gillette, AP to forego the taxes (reservation form is on page 17).

TIDBIT OF D/8 HISTORY

Here is an interesting tidbit of D/8 history you may not know: This year was actually our 65th Change of Watch. The reason being that from 1939 through to 1948 the district was helmed by a Rear Commander, who was elected at the USPS Annual Meeting. In 1948, the position of District Commander was created and from then on we had our annual change of watch ceremony.

This tidbit of D/8 History was submitted by V/C Peter Mitchelson, SN.

EDUCATION NEWS

Stf/C Richard C. Pfenniger, SN



The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission has a Boater Education award which is given annually. This award is given to the Florida Boating Educator of the Year. This year one of our own members, P/C Dan Thomas, SN received the award. Dan is a member of the Vero Beach Squadron. The last line in Dan's recommendation was "He is an educator in the classroom, on the docks and wherever he goes." This is the first time a member of D/8 has received this award.

Now is the time for all squadrons to plan their Fall and Winter courses and seminars. Then list them on the HQ800 System.

At the Fall Conference on Saturday morning 0900-1100. The Marine Radar Seminar will be presented by Lt/C Tom Nolan, SN of Pompano Beach Squadron. The cost is \$35. The seminar comes with a copy of Kevin Monahan book (a \$25 value), student notes, and a copy of the slides.

The Chapman award is our highest award. It is to give recognition to our best instructors. Each Squadron should have a nomination for this award. The forms are on the USPS web site. Download them, fill it out and send to me by 15 July 2014. If you have problems or need help, please let me know. For each squadron who submits a nominee their squadron and member will be announced at the Fall Conference.

ADMINISTRATIVE DEPARTMENT

D/Lt/C Allan Furtado, SN

Greetings to all of District 8. I thank you all for having confidence in offering me the position to be your new Administrative Officer. Some of you know me from my past work as VSC Chair and now I look forward to an exciting and rewarding year in this new position.

As we prepare for our summer activities on the water don't forget the District 8 Summer Rendezvous. This year it will be held on 11 - 13 July 2014 at a new location at the Marriott Hotel on Hutchinson Island. We have access to Golfing, Water Sports (Wave runners, Kayaks, Pontoon Boats & Flat Bottom Boats) Deep Sea fishing, Full Service Marina, Fitness Center, Pool and Beach. In addition to the above we also have access to the Elliott Museum which looks very interesting. I hope everyone will get a chance to join us.

The Rendezvous is a perfect activity to bring friends and thus encourage them to possibly become new members.

Again I wish to thank the Nominating Committee for the opportunity to serve you on the District 8 Bridge.

I will close with the following: "Remember Safe Boating is NOT an Accident!"

D/8 SPRING CONFERENCE



D/C Luncheon



D/C Reception



Hospitality Suite: Coral Ridge, Key West, Sebastian Inlet, St. Lucie River, Vero Beach



Hospitality Suite: Homestead, Ft. Lauderdale.



Formal Dinner



Formal Dinner: Bridge and Spouses (John Goebel photo)



Education Meeting



Council Meeting: Attendees

BOAT SHOW ACTIVITIES

D/Lt Ronald Babin, S



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Help needed to man the USPS booth for
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Promote USPS, D/8 and your Squadron
Offer Vessel Safety Checks for your Squadron
Explain courses offered and benefits to the Boater

Contact:

D/Lt. Ronnie Babin, S

rbabin@hyperband.com (preferred)

954-232-3725

DISTRICT 8 FALL CONFERENCE

26 - 28 September 2014



DISTRICT 8 FALL CONFERENCE 26 - 28 SEPTEMBER 2014

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

Room Rate: \$129.00 (including Buffet Breakfast) **Deadline for Rate: 12 September 2014**
 Call: **1-888-888-3780** Online: www.marriott.com/pbibr Group Code: PWNPWNA

FRIDAY 26 SEPTEMBER 2014

- 1400-1630 USPS® Registration
- 1400-1630 Fall Council
- 1700- Squadron Hospitalities

SATURDAY 27 SEPTEMBER 2014

- 0830-1130 "MINI EXPO"
Featuring 75th Anniversary Displays
- Boating Skills Virtual Trainer (Simulator)
- Vessel Safety Check
- Teaching Aids

SEMINARS

- Cooperative Charting
- Member Involvement
- Treasurer's Workshop
- Administrative Officer Training
- USPS® Marine Radar Seminar

- 1330-1600 Conference.....Royal Palm Ballroom
- 1900-2230 Reception/Cash Bar
- 1930-2230 Banquet.....Royal Palm Ballroom

SUNDAY 28 SEPTEMBER 2014

- 0830-1130 Squadron Officer Meetings

SATURDAY ANNIVERSARY BANQUET:

Choice of Entrée:

Chicken

stuffed with Boursin, Spinach & Pancetta
\$42.00

Herb & Garlic Shrimp Skewers

\$47.00

Beef Short Ribs

with Marsala Wine Sauce and Mushrooms
\$52.00

All Meals Served with:

*Roasted Redskin Potatoes, Buttered Asparagus Spears
Caesar Salad & Anniversary Dessert*

UNIFORMS OF THE DAY:

FRIDAY:

Daytime USPS Casual or Suitable Attire

SATURDAY:

Daytime Uniform G or Suitable Attire
 Evening Uniform A (with bow tie) or Suitable Attire

SUNDAY:

Daytime USPS Casual or Suitable Attire

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

Note: Meal reservations and check must be received by 19 September 2014

CERT NO	RANK	NAME	GRADE	FIRST TIMER? Y OR N	CHICKEN \$42.00	SHRIMP \$47.00	RIBS \$52.00	TOTAL
ACCOMMODATION NIGHTS				# _____ Nights @ \$129.00				\$
I confirm that I have made a reservation with the hotel and my confirmation number is _____								
I enclose a check (made payable to "District 8") for								\$

SQUADRON:

EMAIL:

BOOSTERS

D/Lt Ronnie and D/Lt Kathy Babin 6-14

P/D/C Reinhard and Ruth Bruderer 11-13

Coral Ridge Sail and Power Squadron 6-13

D/C Mary and D/Lt Arthur Dodd 6-14

P/D/C Jack and Judy Doyle 11-13

D/Lt/C Allan and Emily Furtado 3-14

P/D/C Marlene and P/C Michael Herbig 4-14

P/R/C William and Lynne Husted 3-14

Nat. Chaplain Rodney & Sandy Landsman 9-13

D/Lt/C Evelyn and D/Lt John Northrup 11-13

Stf/C Richard & Cdr Doris Pfenniger 5-13

R/C Lee and Lt/C Eva Popham 7-13

Sebastian Inlet Sail & Power Squadron 4-14

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

Thank You All!

D/Lt John W. Northrup, AP Booster Chairman



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

11-13 Jul D/8 Summer Rendezvous
Marriott Hutchinson Island

7-15 Sep Governing Board Meeting
Hyatt, Arlington, VA

26-28 Sep D/8 Fall Conference
Marriott, Boca Raton, FL

2015


18-25 Jan USPS Annual Meeting
Hyatt Riverfront, Jacksonville, FL

IMPORTANT DEADLINES

12 Sept Room Reservations for Fall Conference

19 Sept Meal Reservations for Fall Conference

22 Aug Submissions for *Pieces of Eight*

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