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D/5 2016 Officer's Training, Spring Conference & Change of Watch 31 March – 3 April 2016 Princess Royale, Ocean City, MD

The District 5 Squadron Officer's Training, Spring Conference and Change of Watch will be held at The Princess Royale Hotel & Conference Center in Ocean City, MD from Thursday 31 March through Sunday 3 April 2016.

On Friday morning, we will hold Squadron Officer's Training sessions. Friday afternoon will be full of informational seminars. Friday evening will be "Follow the Blue Heron for Education & Fun" as we enjoy the famous hospitality suites, designed by individual Squadrons, where there is an abundance of boating education and, of course, lots of fun. Saturday morning will be the Spring Council meeting, followed by several very interesting seminars and a great luncheon. In the afternoon, we will have our Conference meeting and election of the 2016-17 Bridge Officers. There will be a cocktail party Saturday evening (hosted by the outgoing Commander), followed by the installation banquet. Sunday morning, our new District Commander will host a reception so you can meet "up close" the new Bridge officers. The entire weekend will be full of education and fun and time to celebrate the successes and accomplishments of fellow D/5 and Squadron members.

There will be many items on our raffle table including, but not limited to, the famous "basket of cheer" provided by our Past District Commanders. There will be a 50/50 raffle.

Our D/5 Spring Conference is held during the time when many of us are suffering from severe "cabin fever," and provides us a chance to get together with our boating friends and start planning your 2016 boating season.

Mark your calendar, 30 March – 3 April 2016, Princess Royale, Ocean City, MD. There are registration forms included in this issue of the "Mark 5" for your convenience (for the lunch & banquet, hospitality rooms, and information to reach the hotel for your room registration). Send in your registrations early so you don't miss out on one of the greatest conferences you'll ever attend.

So....."Come on down the ocean" and join District 5 for a wonderful, educational & fun filled event.

We all look forward to seeing everyone there!!

P/C Steven Dalgarno, N, Dundalk Sail & Power Squadron, Chairman



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Commander's Message

Cdr Katherine (Fuzzy) Jones, AP



What a wonderful Fall Educational Conference we experienced in Cherry Hill, NJ. Cdr. Apryl Bernard, P, her committee, especially, Chairman Stf/C Ralph Bernard, AP, the members of Delsea Power Squadron, Kingsway Power Squadron, and the hotel were great. Our DEO, D/Lt/C Chuck Wells, SN had some of the best educational seminars we have seen. The presenters did an outstanding job. And, of course, D/Lt Mary Palmer, P, with her crafts session for the ladies (and some men) was successful. We really are one big, happy family here in D/5. It was proven that squadrons can and do work together to give our members the best events possible. I extend a great big **THANK YOU** to everyone involved.

The D/5 Bridge and I would like to congratulate all of the winners of our educational awards and, to all of our members who received their 50 year plaque and pin. What a wonderful accomplishment.

Although it's time to put our boats "to bed" for the winter, we have lots of upcoming events in District 5. There are many Holiday Parties, Founder's Day celebrations, lots of Changes of Watch, and two (2) CENTENNIAL Celebrations at Patpasco River Power Squadron on 30 April and Delaware River Power Squadron on 1 May.

The week of 15 February 2016 is the National Annual Meeting at the Rosen Centre in Orlando, Florida where many of our members will be honored for 50 years of membership and a few receiving their Life Membership for 25 merit marks in service. There also will be a very special award given to one of our esteemed Squadron Educational Officers who will receive the National Chapman Award for Teaching Excellence. Some of you may already know who that is, but for those who do not, I'm proud to announce that SEO, Lt/C John Locke, SN from Kent Narrows Sail & Power Squadron will be one of the five National recipients. I am sincerely hoping to see many D/5 members present for this event and congratulations to John for a job well done. Complete meeting information is available on the USPS National website at www.usps.org.

Our Spring Conference and Change of Watch will be held at The Princess Royale in Ocean City, MD from 31 March to 3 April 2016. On Friday, we will hold our Officer's Training sessions. This is the best time for all squadron officers to come and learn what they are expected to do in their specific role as an officer of their Squadron. Friday evening will be the "famous" hospitality suites, and I certainly hope many of our D/5 Squadrons will participate by hosting a suite. Saturday will be filled with seminars and, of course, our Council & Conference meetings. That evening is the big event. The Change of Watch banquet. Please see additional information in this issue of the Mark 5 and on line at www.uspsd5.org.

Always remember: "District 5, Education & Fun." We are here to help and work with you in all of your endeavors. The entire Bridge and I thank you for your support and look forward to seeing everyone soon. In the meantime, have a healthy & happy holiday season.

Fuzzy



DISTRICT 5



RESERVATION FORM
United States Power Squadrons D/5 Spring Conference
31 March – 1-3 April 2016
Princess Royale Hotel, Ocean City, Maryland

MEMBER: Rank _____ Name: _____ Grade: _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

SQUADRON: _____ POSITION: _____ FIRST TIMER? _____

E-mail: _____ PHONE: _____

SPOUSE/OTHER ATTENDEES:

Rank: _____ Name: _____ Grade: _____ First Timer? _____

Rank: _____ Name: _____ Grade: _____ First Timer? _____

ACTIVITIES SELECTIONS

SATURDAY LUNCHEON CHOICES:

Trio Salad of Chicken Salad, Tuna Salad & Tossed Garden Salad

_____ @ \$18.00 = \$ _____

Twin Hamburger Sliders w/ Chips, Pickle, Potato Salad

_____ @ \$18.00 = \$ _____

Coffee, Decaf Coffee, Tea & Iced Tea

SATURDAY BANQUET ENTREE CHOICES:

Jumbo Lump Maryland Crab Cakes

_____ @ \$42.00 = \$ _____

Beef Bourguignon w/ Red Wine, Onions, Carrots, Mashed Potatoes

_____ @ \$42.00 = \$ _____

Vegetarian/Gluten free Stuffed Pepper

_____ @ \$28.00 = \$ _____

Coffee, Decaf Coffee, Tea, Iced Tea

Dietary restrictions _____

OPTIONAL Room raffle ONE FREE NIGHT (October 1, 2016 - April 20, 2017)

1 Ticket \$5.00 or 3 Tickets for \$10.00

_____ @ \$5 or \$10 = \$ _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$ _____

Make Checks Payable to: 2016 D/5 Spring Conference

SEND TO: Lt/C Stuart Newborn, S
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**MEAL RESERVATIONS must
be received by March 2, 2016**

Recommended Dress: Thursday/Friday/Saturday – USPS/Squadron Shirts Banquet – Uniform A with bowtie

MAKE RESERVATIONS DIRECTLY WITH HOTEL - Call Reservations Dept. at 877-995-7875

Use the Reservation ID Code: U.S. Power Squadron, District 5

Princess Royale Hotel

9100 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, Maryland
Non-Smoking Venue - Handicapped Rooms available on a request basis

Rates: Ocean view/pool view Suite: \$109.00 per night Friday/Saturday Ocean Suite: \$149.00 per night
2BR/2BA Oceanfront Condo: \$239.00 per night, 3BR: \$269.00 per night
(rates listed above do **not** include taxes)

ALL RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE BY 25 FEBRUARY 2016 TO ENSURE USPS RATES

DIRECTIONS: From RT 90, turn left onto Coastal Hwy. Hotel will be on the right.



HOSPITALITY SUITE RESERVATION FORM

USPS D/5 OFFICER TRAINING & SPRING CONFERENCE 31
MARCH – 1-3 APRIL 2016

Princess Royale Oceanfront Hotel & Conference Center
9100 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD 21842

HOSPITALITY SUITES **MUST** be reserved for both Friday 1 April & Saturday 2 April 2016
RESERVATION DEADLINE February 26, 2016

Rooms Assigned on a First come First Served Basis

Normal Check-in time is after -1600 (Early check-in dependent upon availability) Check
out time is before -1100

COST: Cost for Suites-\$109.00 (plus tax \$11.44) - \$120.00 per day \$ _____

Addition: \$30.00 per Suite for Bed Removal (includes two 6' tables) \$ _____

\$13.00/day/per tub - Ice 2 - 20 lb. bags \$ _____

\$15.00 - Each additional table - \$2.00 each chair \$ _____

HOSPITALITY SUITE PREFERENCE

Please do not contact hotel directly regarding the Hospitality Suites

Suite locations are on the reverse side of this form. If there is a preference, please
request first and second choice room number below otherwise a suite will be assigned.

First _____ Second _____

Squadron _____
Name of _____ Responsible _____ Party _____
Address _____
Phone _____ Email _____

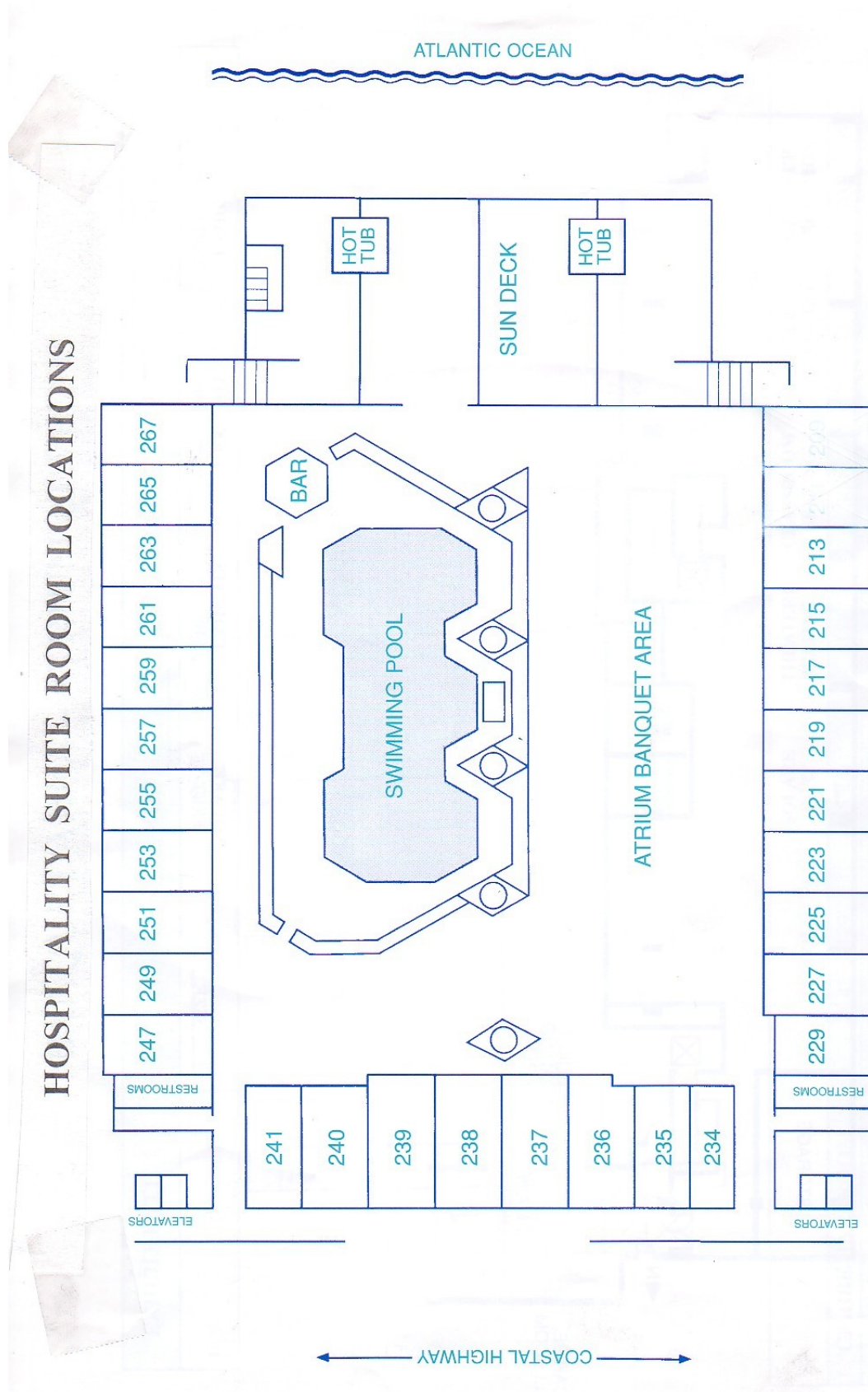
You may Call me with the Credit Card information if you are uncomfortable mailing it!

Credit Card Number _____ Exp Date _____

Mail or email form to P/C Steven Dalgarno, N
16540 Trenton Road Upperco, MD 21155
Phone: 410-374-9794
Email: stevedalgarno@hotmail.com



DISTRICT 5





District 5 Fall Conference 2015
Crowne Plaza Hotel, Cherry Hill, NJ
Cdr Apryl Bernard, P

What a great conference we had! The weather was beautiful, there was a great selection of seminars, the Halloween party were ghoulish. The luncheon and dinner was great! I cannot thank enough the members who made this all possible: Event chair Stf/C Ralph Bernard, AP, 1st/Lt Nance Bernard, 1st/Lt Lynn Graiser, S, who served as treasurer for the conference, Lt/C Dave Bernard, AP, Lt Nancy Bernard, P, Lt/C Ashle Cocca, P, Lt Britne Bernard, P, Lt Betty Byerly, AP, Doug Field from Absecon Island. Delsea Power Squadron members Lt/C Chuck Henderson, P, Lt/C Ed McGarvey, JN, Lt/C Agnes Dondero, P & Cdr Paul Dondero, P also assisted with registration and raffles. Special thanks to Kingsway Power Squadron members D/Lt Linda Hess & Lt/C Penn Hess, AP for chairing the raffle committee. You did an outstanding job. The selection of prizes was varied and plentiful. Thank you D/1st/Lt Bradley Humphrey, JN and Lt/C Megan Humphrey, JN for your constant support and help throughout this whole event! We could not have done it without you. This is what happen when everyone works together for a common cause! If I forgot anyone, I apologize.

Our DEO Chuck Wells, SN did an outstanding job with the selection and quantity of seminars. He worked extremely hard, and it was rewarded! Thank you, Chuck!

I have to give a few shout outs to a few people. Britne Bernard did an outstanding job with the table decorations. She had a vision and carried it out to the fullest. Ashle Cocca chaired a great Halloween party. I was pleasantly surprised to see the number of costumes everyone wore. I do not think there was one duplicate. What a creative bunch we have here in District 5.

Thanks to Dave Bernard and Britne Bernard for stepping in when the luncheon speaker could not attend. Britne created a PowerPoint presentation in less than 10 minutes. Dave spoke with knowledge and passion about the Robert J. Walker that had sunk off the coast of New Jersey in 1860.

The Saturday night banquet was highlighted with the many well-deserved awards for educational excellence. It was great to have the Portuguese representative, Jose Galrito and his lovely wife, Marguarite in attendance as well.

Once again thank you to all who helped and attended the Fall Conference and made it the success that it was.



A large collage of 24 photographs showing various members of the American Legion 1274 and their families. The photos depict group portraits, individuals, couples, and social activities like dining and driving. A central photo shows a woman driving a vehicle while a man stands behind her. Other photos show people holding awards, posing with a picnic basket, and participating in a registration or signing event.



The District 5 Educational Conference Awards

As in the past, our annual Educational Conference was highlighted by the awarding of honors to both squadrons and individuals. I am honored and delighted to be able to reward those who have contributed to the educational mission of the United States Power Squadrons. Special guests this year included Captain Jose Galrito and his wife of the Portuguese Embassy and US Coast Guard Auxiliary Chief of Staff David Adams. The following squadron awards were presented:

Prince Henry Trophy

- 1st : Mainline Power Squadron
- 2nd: Cambridge S&P Squadron
- 3rd: Kent Narrows S&P Squadron

Caravelle Award

- 1st: Kent Narrows S&P Squadron
- 2nd: Virginia Beach S&P Squadron
- 3rd: Annapolis S&P Squadron

Henry Sweet Award for Education Excellence

- 1st: Virginia Beach S&P Squadron
- 2nd: Kent Narrows S&P Squadron
- 3rd: Cambridge S&P Squadron

District 5 Commander's Trophy for Advanced Grades

- 1st: Annapolis S&P Squadron
- 2nd: Potomac River Power Squadron
- 3rd: Virginia Beach S&P Squadron

District 5 Commander's Trophy for Elective Courses

- 1st: Cambridge S&P Squadron
- 2nd: Rockville S&P Squadron
- 3rd: Smith Mt. Lake S&P Squadron

The District 5 Seamanship Award in Memory of Kenneth G. Smith

- 1st: Colonial S&P Squadron
- 2nd: Potomac River Power Squadron
- 3rd: Kent Narrows S&P Squadron

Workboat Award

- 1st: Kent Narrows S&P Squadron
- 2nd: Virginia Beach S&P Squadron
- 3rd: Annapolis S&P Squadron

National Boating Federation Awards

- 1st: Delsea Power Squadron
- 2nd: Smith Mt. Lake S&P Squadron

Individual awards went to the following:

Henry E. Sweet Individual Educational Award (those achieving the grade of SN)

John Locke, Kent Narrows S&P Squadron
John Murphy, Kent Narrows S&P Squadron
Mark Stanley, Virginia S&P Squadron

Charles F. Chapman Award for Excellence in Teaching

Absecon Island	Dave Bernard
Annapolis	Michael Maszczenski, Jr.
Cambridge	George Seifert
Colonial	Robert Beltz
Delaware River	John and Judy Gill
Delhigh	Kathleen Nowroozani
Delsea	Charles Henderson
Dundalk	Rolf Stuenes
Kent Narrows	John Locke
Mainline	Nicholas Montalto
Mid-Potomac	Rick Marinelli, JN
Miles River	Alan Holmes, SN
Nansemond River	Frank Brown
Nanticoke River	Peter Singleton
Northern Virginia	G. Jay Nelson
Ocean City	Wally Stevenson
Patapsco River	Louis Kates
Patuxent River	Jim Brueggemann
Potomac River	John Wilmot
Richmond	Robert Palmer
Rockville	Harry Allen
Salisbury	George Richardson



Educational Proficiency Award

Charles F. Chapman Award for Excellence in Teaching (cont'd)

Smith Mountain Lake	Peter Phillip
Susquehannock	Ken Weaver & Debbie Weaver
Virginia Beach	William S. Schwieder, III
Wilmington	William T. Zimmerman
York	Milton "Bud" Menchey

Gary Corcoran, Delhigh Power Squadron
Mark Anderson, Northern Virginia S&P Squadron
William Stuart, Rockville S&P Squadron
Neal White, Rockville S&P Squadron
Tom Pinckert, Rockville S&P Squadron
Richard Milner, Virginia Beach S&P Squadron

Charles F. Chapman Award for Teaching: Nominee to the National Competition:

John Locke, Kent Narrows S&P Squadron
Subsequently, John was selected as a winner of the National
Chapman Award!

District 5 Best Teaching Aid in Show

Lou Kates/Brian Becker, Patapsco Power Squadron

District 5 Best Teaching Aid in the Traditional category

Lou Kates/Brian Becker, Patapsco Power Squadron

District 5 Best Teaching Aid in the Electronic category

Dick Nitschke, Virginia Beach S&P Squadron





United States Power Squadrons®

Annual Meeting, Orlando Florida

14-21 February 2016



2016 Annual Meeting 14-21 Feb.

Activities registration >> Get further information and reserve online at usps.org/php/reservations.

\$10 surcharge for reservations made at the hotel.

Rank	First	MI	Last	Grade	Cert. No.
Rank	First	MI	Last	Grade	Cert. No.
Address	City	State	ZIP	Squadron/District	
Home phone	Cell/Office			Dietary restrictions?	
Email address	Do you have mobility issues?			First time attending a national meeting?	

Tuesday, 16 Feb.

Disney Keys to the Kingdom Tour, 0715-1500

Get a behind-the-scenes tour of the Magic Kingdom, including the tunnels and much more. This walking tour (mostly outside) lasts from 1 to 4.5 hours depending on park happenings. The tour includes time for lunch (not included in price) at Disney's Columbia Harbour House.

Note: This tour does not include admittance to the theme park.

Quantity _____ @ \$125 before 3 Jan., \$135 after Total _____

Wednesday, 17 Feb.

Kennedy Space Center Tour, 0830-1630

Travel by tour bus to the space center, where shuttles leave every 15 minutes for the launch pads, Vehicle Assembly Building, Shuttle Launch Facility, Apollo/Saturn V Center, Space Shuttle Atlantis and IMAX 3D Space Films. Special tours are also available.

Quantity _____ @ \$125 before 3 Jan., \$135 after Total _____

Golf Outing, 0900-1500

Leave the hotel at 0900 for a 1000 tee time at an 18-hole former PGA course. Bring clubs or rent at the course. Price includes green fees and transportation. Enjoy a light lunch (not included) at the 19th hole.

Quantity _____ @ \$75 before 3 Jan., \$85 after Total _____

Thursday, 18 Feb.

Wild Florida Airboat and Wildlife Center Tour, 0830-1400

Take an airboat tour into Florida's protected swamps, marshes and rivers for an in-depth look at area plants and wildlife. At the Wildlife Park, you'll see gators, zebras, watusi, deer, water buffalo, and more as well as monster alligators and an alligator demonstration. Then we visit High Tide Harry's for a seafood lunch (not included in price).

Quantity _____ @ \$99 before 3 Jan., \$109 after Total _____

Kitchen Tour at the Rosen, 0930-1100

Join USPS friends for a 90-minute kitchen tour and tasting adventure at the Rosen Centre Hotel. Tours are limited to 15 people. Wear closed-toe shoes, preferably sneakers or slip-resistant shoes (no high heels). A signed waiver is required.

Quantity _____ @ \$30 before 3 Jan., \$40 after Total _____

Department Luncheons, 1215-1345

Admin. _____ Edu. _____ Sec. _____ Treas. _____ (select one)

Quantity _____ @ \$44 before 3 Jan., \$54 after Total _____

D/Cs and DXOs Luncheon, 1215-1345

Quantity _____ @ \$49 before 3 Jan., \$59 after Total _____

Kitchen Tour at the Rosen, 1400-1530

Quantity _____ @ \$30 before 3 Jan., \$40 after Total _____

New Life Member Reception, 1830-1930

New Life Members get two free cocktails with a cash bar for others.

Quantity _____ @ Free

Awards Dinner, 1930-2230

Sit-down dinner with cash bar. Squadron and district awards will be presented after dinner, with extra seating available.

Quantity _____ @ \$49 before 3 Jan., \$59 after Total _____

Friday, 19 Feb.

Keynote Breakfast, 0730-0900

Breakfast and a keynote address by NASA physicist Dr. Weiping Yu.

Quantity _____ @ \$37 before 3 Jan., \$47 after Total _____

Kitchen Tour at the Rosen, 0930-1100

Quantity _____ @ \$30 before 3 Jan., \$40 after Total _____

Triple Treat Tour, 0930-1530

View the city from the Orlando Eye, a Ferris wheel with enclosed cars; pose for photos with A-listers at Madame Tussauds Wax Museum; and enjoy the Sea Life Orlando Aquarium. Tour includes transportation, an hour at each attraction, and two hours on your own for lunch and shopping.

Quantity _____ @ \$65 before 3 Jan., \$75 after Total _____

Executive Department Luncheon, 1215-1345

Quantity _____ @ \$44 before 3 Jan., \$54 after Total _____

Saturday, 20 Feb.

Social Reception, Luncheon and Fashion Show, 1130-1400

Enjoy music from the Jammin' Jambalaya Band.

Quantity _____ @ \$44 before 3 Jan., \$54 after Total _____

Members Reception and Luncheon, 1200-1400

Quantity _____ @ \$44 before 3 Jan., \$54 after Total _____

Change of Watch Banquet, 1830-2300

Dine and dance to music from The Now and Then Band.

Quantity _____ @ \$68 before 3 Jan., \$78 after Total _____

Meals Discount Packages

Meals Package M

Includes Friday Breakfast, Saturday Members Luncheon and Banquet

Quantity _____ @ \$139 before 3 Jan., \$179 after Total _____

Meals Package S

Includes Friday Breakfast, Saturday Social Luncheon and Banquet

Quantity _____ @ \$139 before 3 Jan., \$179 after Total _____

Please check if interested in the Daytona 500 _____

Total packages amount due \$ _____

Total tickets amount due \$ _____

For RV information, visit usps.org/lc/highwaymariners.

Reserve tickets online at usps.org/php/reservations or mail this form with a check made out to 2016 Annual Meeting to USPS HQ, PO Box 30423, Raleigh, NC 27622. For more information, call 757-685-6319 or email arlene.anderson47@yahoo.com.

Activity reservations must be secured or postmarked by 2 Feb. From 3 Feb. through 13 Feb., only online registrations will be accepted. Refund requests made after 2 Feb. will be honored only if the tickets are resold. All tickets must be picked up at the member activities registration area no later than two hours before the event, except for Social Luncheon, Members Luncheon and Banquet tickets, which must be picked up by 1000 Saturday, 20 Feb. Agenda and additional details may be found at usps.org/php/reservations.

Tour times are subject to change. For more information on tours, email uspsnmtours@gmail.com. If you have mobility issues and require handicap accommodations for your scooter, wheelchair or other device, please email uspsnmtours@gmail.com by 14 Dec.



Your Guide to Online Registration

The best way to register for the Annual Meeting is online. From the United States Power Squadrons® home page, log into the member site. Click on the National Meetings button at the bottom of the left-hand menu to reach the Meetings & Events page (top right). From the main menu, click the links you need.

- **Event Information** connects to a page (middle right), where you'll find information and links to make all of your reservations.
- **Event Reservation** connects to the "Begin Reservation Process" page (lower right). Enter your USPS certificate number and your zip code or PIN number. This will pre-fill your registration form with your member information, making it easier to register for your activities and meals.
- **Hotel Reservation Site** connects to the Rosen Centre's dedicated web page for our meeting (bottom right). Reserving online is the best way to reserve the room and amenities that you need. Avoid disappointment: *If you prefer to make your reservations by phone, please use the Rosen's 407-996-9840 number.* (Call center agents may not be familiar with our block of rooms or the very special pricing USPS is enjoying for this event.) Our **\$139/night** (plus tax) special room rate will be honored through **3 January 2016** on available rooms during the 14-21 February 2016 period. For rooms with handicap accommodations, please reserve by **14 December 2015**.
- **Agenda.** A draft agenda has been posted. Check back regularly for updates. The official Call to Meeting will be posted on the Secretary's Department page 30 days before the meeting and mailed to delegates.
- **First-Timer Information** takes you to a wealth of information that will be useful not only to members who are attending a USPS Annual Meeting for the first time, but also to anyone who would like to have a comfortable, productive stay in Orlando. *Check it out!*
- **RV Information Website.** This link provides useful information for all members who will be using a recreational vehicle during the meetings and a direct link to the nearby [Sherwood Forest RV Resort](#).
- **Newsletters.** You will also be able to access all National Meeting Committee Newsletters on the Meetings & Events page.

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Online Registration System

Orlando 2016

2016 ANNUAL MEETING

Event Information

Event Reservation

Hotel Reservation Site

Agenda Updated 09/24/15

First Timer

RV Information

Orlando, FL
15 Feb-21 Feb, 2016

Meetings and Events
Online Registration System

USPS Meeting Information

2016 Annual Meeting

Monday, February 15, 2016 - Sunday, February 21, 2016

Orlando, FL

MEAL RESERVATIONS OPEN

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

Hotel Information

Rosen Centre Hotel

This is the main meeting Hotel

Hotel Web Site

9840 International Drive

Orlando, FL 32819

Telephone: 800-204-7234

Rate: \$139.00

Meetings and Events
Online Registration System

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My dates are:

Check-in: 15 Feb 2016

Check-out: 21 Feb 2016

Nights: 6

Rooms: 1

Adults: 1

Clear all selections

Group or Rate Code is Applied

United States Power Squadrons

Check-in: Sun, 14 Feb 2016

Early Check-in: Thu, 11 Feb 2016

Check-out: Mon, 22 Feb 2016

Late Check-out: Thu, 25 Feb 2016

Cancel: Thu, 14 Jan 2016

Payment Method: American Express

Phone: 1-800-204-7234

Reservations: 800-204-7234

407-996-9840

www.uspsps.com

Group Policies:

3-Day Cancellation Policy

You must cancel 3 days prior to arrival. If you cancel less than 3 days, your reservation cost will be charged a one night room and tax penalty.

Availability Dates: 15 Feb 2016 - 21 Feb 2016

Check-out Only Dates: 15 Feb 2016 - 21 Feb 2016

View Full Calendar



Friday Halloween Party



Saturday Seminars





Saturday Cocktails & Banquet



Fall Conference Meeting





D/5 Sail Regatta & Fishing Tournament P/D/C Brian Becker, AP



The District 5 Sail Regatta and Fishing Tournament was hosted by the Patapsco River Power Squadron the second weekend in September. Much like the previous year, Mother Nature did not bless the crews with pleasant weather – but the stalwart members stayed the course. The event was deemed a success by all who attended, a success based on the outstanding service of two hard-working members of the committee.



The event was hosted at the classic Maryland Yacht Club just inside Rock Creek off the Patapsco River. D/Lt Jim Gorman, AP - PC of Potomac River and Past Commodore of the Maryland Yacht Club, ruled the roost in planning and flawless execution by our hosts at the MYC. He alone denied having “asparagus” as the vegetable for the evening banquet –MYC Chefs special, “Chesapeake Surf and Turf”.

PC Lou Kates, AP of Patapsco River ruled the roost in the planning of the sail contest. He coordinated with the Rock Creek Sailing Club to use their pre-planned layout of courses just off Rock Creek and produced the contest packages. With this dynamic duo in place, the rest easily became history.

D/Lt/C Mike Lebeduik, JN of Delhigh was ready to officiate at the World Series Corn Hole Tournament. It was drizzled out. He came back strong in the popular role as bartender for the evening.



The Fishing Tournament had many candidates aboard the *Rat Ark*, captained by Stf/C Walter Neese, SN. History records the fish were as elusive as were the fair winds that day. Megan Humphrey, Kingsway Power Squadron, was almost declared the winner as the hook was struck, the rod bent, the fight of 45 minutes produced a -- ray - almost breaking the net. There were no other fish brought aboard.



The Sail Contest had a thrilling beginning. The pair of contesting vessels passed by the committee boat, *Lady Jean*, captained by D/Lt Andy Petruska, AP, Delaware River, with DC Fuzzy Jones, AP and party aboard. Followers on shore were able to observe much of the race from the MYC pavilion as most of

the course was directly off the entrance. *Tiphys*, skippered by Susan Brady, a member of Dundalk Sail & Power Squadron, won the race. No contest. *Rug-gala*, skippered by PC Lou Kates, had a mal-function in the rigging and limped back to port, much to the relief of the gallery watching from shore.

The evening was highlighted by an outstanding banquet meal followed by the presentation of awards – and an evening of dancing to the music of “Shift Work” in harmony with the membership of the MYC. All in all, a fine time had by all.

Lots of coolers aboard to house the catch for breakfast ... lots of descriptions of “almost.”

The enthusiastic *Rat Ark* team following a hard days’ work at sea.



Sunday breakfast included the left-over donuts, coffee from Saturday – no fish to fry.



2015 USPS Boarman Youth Poster Contest

During Fall Conference in Cherry Hill, N.J., attendees from all D/5 squadrons had the opportunity to vote for the posters that best reflected the 2015 USPS Boarman Youth Poster Contest theme, "When You Boat Be Ready To Float...Wear It." District Five is proud to announce the District first place winners:



6-8 Age Group: Jakob Robinson, Susquehannock Power Squadron

9-11 Age Group: Bay Wiggins, Northern Neck Power Squadron



12-14 Age Group: Alyssa Goodwin, Northern Neck Power Squadron

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UPCOMING EVENTS

28-31 Jan	Baltimore Boat Show	Baltimore MD
14-21 Feb	United States Power Squadrons Annual Meeting	Orlando, FL
31 Mar-3 April	Spring Conference/ Officer's Training	Ocean City, MD
15-17 April	Bay Bridge Boat Show	Bay Bridge Marina
TBD May	NOAA/Coop Charting	NOAA Atl. Marine Crt
21-27 May	NATIONAL SAFE BOATING WEEK	
25 May	Delaware River Educational Cruise	Philadelphia, PA
June (TBD)	Practice Navigation Contest	
July (TBD)	D/5 Southbound Cruise	
July (TBD)	Summer Council & Rendezvous	



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