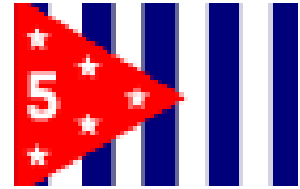




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2017 WINTER ELECTRONIC ISSUE

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2017 District 5 Spring Conference

Could it be Smith Mountain Lake Sail & Power Squadron is thinking Spring? Yes, indeed! Winter will be behind us and Spring will be arriving with D/5 Officer Training and Spring Conference March 30 – April 2 in Ocean City, MD.

Renew friendships Thursday evening out and about the Princess Royale Hotel. On Friday, attend an Officer Training class or two offered throughout the day. These classes are open to anyone who is interested in learning about the duties and tools of the “trade.” Take time to check out the vendor area and browse the raffle table on Friday and Saturday. How should the day be capped off? Hospitality Suites, of course! Enjoy exploring the suites, having some treats and renewing friendships in the Pool Atrium.

On Saturday, regular business will be happening including the General Session in the Exhibit Hall enhanced with newly installed sound equipment. Join us for lunch where you can build your perfect sandwich at an amazing sandwich buffet with all the trimmings.

The Commander's Reception followed by the Awards Banquet and Change of Watch cap off the day. Before heading for home on Sunday, please welcome our new D/5 Commander at the New Commander's Breakfast.

Now is the time to mark your calendars and make plans to join us for an outstanding Spring Conference! See you there!

David Eberle, SN
Commander, Smith Mountain Lake Sail & Power Squadron





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Commander's Message

Cdr Randolph W. Stow, AP



As winter sets in we have our boaters' transition period. Our vessels are largely secured for the winter. We've considered how to protect against freezing weather and how to prepare for recommissioning in the spring. Now we just wait.

Well, that's not necessarily true. We are people with more than boats and boating in our lives (I can't believe I just said that!). As members of a volunteer organization, I know we have an abundance of other responsibilities that we balance all year. We budget our time between work, family, civic involvement, recreation and many other activities. You might ask how I know this. It's because you are boaters and boaters do things. We are active and we get involved.

Getting involved? Yes, that does bring me back to the United States Power Squadrons. I hope you have chosen to take committee or bridge positions in your squadron and/or the district. Not only are you critical to the success of our organization, but active participation absolutely increases our personal enjoyment.

Officer training will be one of the offerings at the District 5 Spring Conference in Ocean City. If you are holding a bridge position for 2017 please plan to participate in these sessions. Even if it's a position you have previously held, there's always something new to learn plus your experience will be a valuable addition to the discussions. If you do not hold a bridge office, these training sessions are open to all; there is no secret handshake. If you have interest in an officer's area and the associated committees, please join us.

Again I want to thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve you as the District 5 Commander. It has been an exciting adventure and rewarding in so many ways. The best part has been getting to know so many of you, our members. I am looking forward to seeing each of you at the District 5 Spring Conference at the end of March.

Bravo Zulu,



DISTRICT 5



RESERVATION FORM
United States Power Squadrons D/5 Spring Conference
30 March - 2 April 2017
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? _____

MENU SELECTIONS

SATURDAY LUNCH:

Lunch Sandwich Buffet:

Sliced Meats to include Roast Beef, Roast Turkey, Baked Ham, and Salami
with American, Swiss and Provolone Cheeses
Lettuce, Sliced Tomatoes and Onions, Pickles
with Assorted Rolls and Breads
Pasta Salad, Potato Salad and Potato Chips
Brownies and Blondies
Coffee, Tea, Decaf Coffee & Iced Tea Stations

___ @ \$23 = \$ _____

SATURDAY BANQUET ENTREE CHOICES:

Beef Medallions & Mushrooms w/ Gravy
over Garlic Mashed Potatoes

___ @ \$37 = \$ _____

Seafood Newburg – Scallops, Crab and Shrimp in a Delicious Cream Sauce
w/Sherry served over Garlic Mashed Potatoes

___ @ \$34 = \$ _____

Vegetarian / Gluten Free Vegetable Stir-Fry served over Rice

___ @ \$24 = \$ _____

Selections served with:

House Salad w/ choice of Ranch or Balsamic Dressing
Vegetable Medley of Carrots, Broccoli, & Cauliflower
Rolls & Butter
Chef's Selection of Desserts
Coffee, Tea, Decaf Coffee, & Iced Tea Stations

Total Enclosed:

Dietary Restrictions: _____

\$ _____

Make Checks Payable to: SML S&PS

SEND TO: Trish Fox

1062 Stonewood Ct.

Forest, VA 24551

Phone: 607 426-9810

E-mail: trishannfox@yahoo.com

**MEAL RESERVATIONS must
be received by March 3, 2017**

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

MAKE ROOM RESERVATIONS DIRECTLY WITH HOTEL - Call Reservations Dept. at 800-476-9253

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: \$114.00 per night Ocean Suite: \$159.00 per night

2BR/2BA Oceanfront Condo: \$249.00 per night, 3BR: \$279.00 per night

(rates listed above do **not** include taxes)

ALL RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE BY 1 MARCH 2017 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
30 March – 2 April 2017**

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

HOSPITALITY SUITES **MUST** be reserved for both Friday 31 March & Saturday 1 April 2017
RESERVATION DEADLINE February 24, 2016

Rooms Assigned on a First come First Served Basis

Normal Check-In time is after 1600 (Early Check-In dependent upon availability)
Checkout time is before 1100

COST:	\$127.46 per Suite per day (2 day minimum)	\$_____
ADDITIONS:	\$30.00 per Suite for Bed Removal (includes two 6' tables)	\$_____
	\$13.00/day/per tub of 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_____

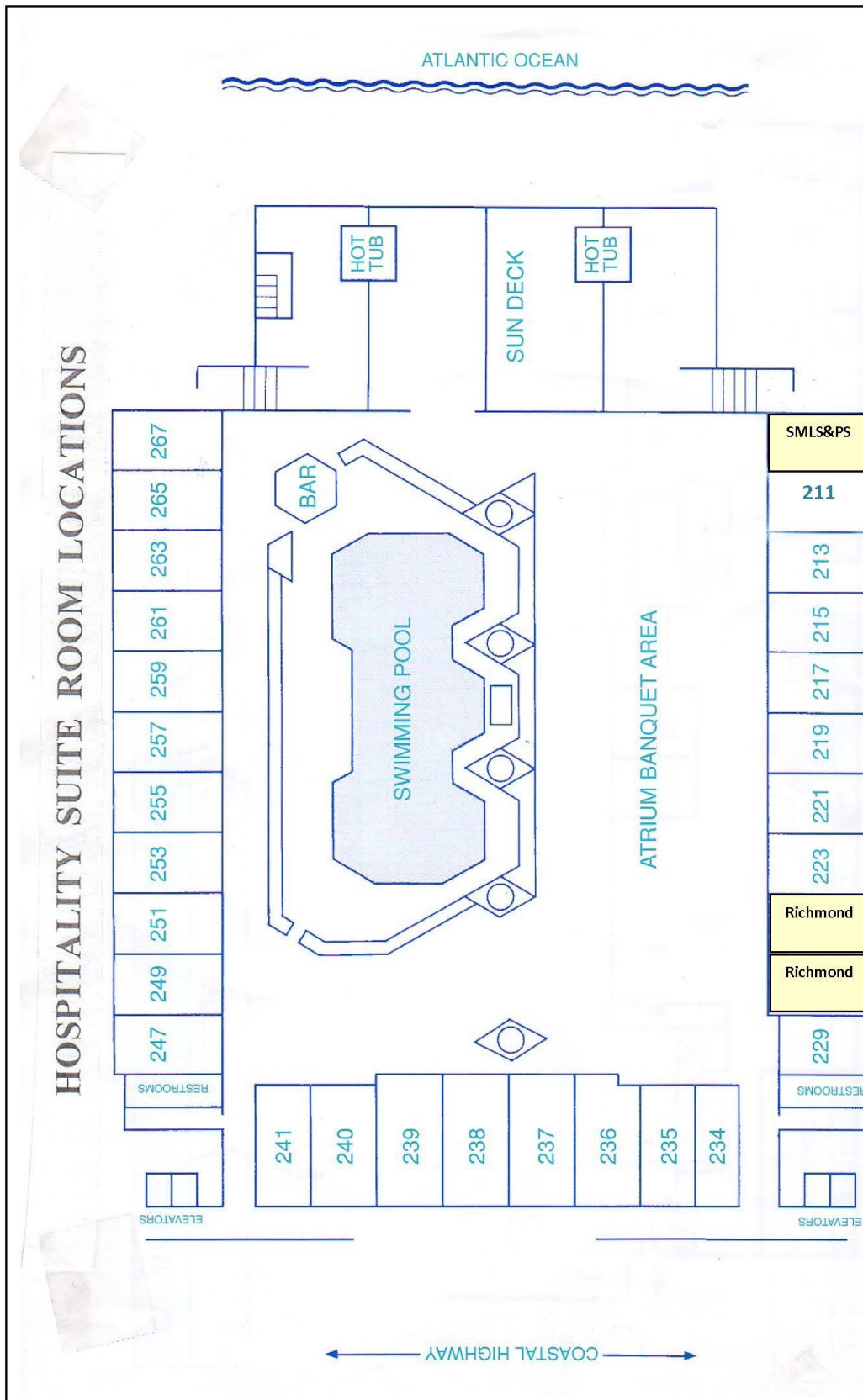
Phone_____ Email_____

Make Checks Payable to: SML S&PS

Mail form to Lt/C Dave Pare, P
203 Mallard Point Rd, Wirtz, VA 24184
Phone: 540 238 2050



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This year's Fall Conference had something for everyone. We started out with the Casino night on Thursday where players got a chance to try their luck at various table games. As with any game of chance, there were winners and losers, but the big winner was Lt. Doris Brecht, S, of Delaware River, who would win even when she tried to lose. We even had our esteemed Past District Commanders and members of the current bridge try their luck from the other side of the table as guest dealers. Overall, everyone seemed to enjoy themselves and it set a good mood for the conference.

On Friday we started the regular educational sessions, including a new morning session on the Open CPN to help people learn how to install this very important software. The afternoon saw many people attending the back to back sessions on the Digital Media Library (uspsdml.org), presented by P/D/C Marty Lafferty, AP and me, and the supporting session on the computer animations by P/D/Lt/C Jim Heckman, SN. During those sessions, it became clear there was a demand to view all of the Digital Media Library videos, so we added two opportunities to the Saturday schedule for people to view them. Friday evening concluded with a viewing of the movie "The Finest Hours" about the true story of the U.S. Coast Guard rescue of 32 men in February 1952.

On Saturday the day started with the Fall Council meeting and the introduction of NEO Craig Fraser, SN as the National Representative. The morning's educational sessions continued as did as the spouse crafts activity led by D/Lt Mary H. Palmer, P who created the seasonal centerpieces used for the dinner that evening. During the members' lunch, we had an enthusiastic speaker, Julie Brown, from the Maryland Natural Resources Police. She gave us many updated statistics and had a couple of brave volunteers inflate automatic life jackets for the first time. Saturday afternoon allowed for an Education Q&A session with DEO Chuck Wells and Craig Fraser and a discussion on how to teach distance learning. Then the socializing kicked into high gear with the Commander's reception, where members had an opportunity to speak with our Portuguese representative, Captain Jose Luis Afonso Galrito and his wife, Margarida. Then came time for the banquet awards dinner led by our MC Bill McManimen III, SN who navigated the ever-changing script with dexterity and humor. As listed in this newsletter, many Squadrons achieved outstanding accomplishments in education and received the recognition

they deserved. Sunday concluded the Fall Conference and the distribution of many additional awards.

In conclusion, we had a beautiful facility, beautiful weather, and excellent people to share it. Congratulations to all of the award winners for your efforts.

Best Wishes,

D/Lt John W. O'Reilly, JN-IN



2017 District 5 Educational Award Winners

Prince Henry Award

- 1st Place Virginia Beach
- 2nd Place Annapolis
- 3rd Place Dundalk

Caravelle Award

- 1st Place Northern Neck
- 2nd Place Richmond
- 3rd Place Virginia Beach

Henry Sweet Award

- 1st Place Smith Mountain Lake
- 2nd Place Virginia Beach
- 3rd Place Northern Neck

CT Advanced

- 1st Place Richmond
- 2nd Place Northern Neck
- 3rd Place Cambridge

CT Electives

- 1st Place Patapsco River
- 2nd Place Smith Mountain Lake
- 3rd Place Rockville

Special Awards

Ken Smith Seamanship

- 1st Place Cambridge
- 2nd Place Northern Neck
- 3rd Place Richmond

Workboat Award

- 1st Place Smith Mountain Lake
- 2nd Place Annapolis
- 3rd Place Rockville



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Henry E. Sweet Individual Educational Award (Senior Navigators)

Kathy Burke, Kent Narrows
Michael Gauthier, Virginia Beach
Richard Hughes, Annapolis
John Nash, Annapolis

District 5 Charles F. Chapman Award (Instructors of the Year)

Absecon Island	Dave Bernard
Annapolis	Sam Lyness
Cambridge	Wayne Rigby
Colonial	Herb Rambow
Delhigh	Doug McKenzie
Delsea	Paul Dondero
Dundalk	Streett Broadbent
Kent Narrows	Dan Ehrenfeld
Main Line	James Heckman
Mid-Potomac	Dave Wilder
Nansemond River	Drex Bradshaw
Patuxent River	Thomas Farrar
Richmond	James Zeigler
Rockville	Jeff McKinney
Virginia Beach	Dick Nitschke
York	Milton Menchey

District 5 Nominee for the National Chapman Award

Wayne Rigby, Cambridge

District 5 Special Educational Award

David Brown, Smith Mountain Lake
Denise Allen, Rockville

National Boating Federation Award for Excellence

1st Place Delsea
2nd Place Smith Mountain Lake

Teaching Aids

Overall Show and Computer Aided Instruction Winner

Jim Heckman, Main Line
for his Electronic Time Diagram used in the Navigation Course

US Power Squadrons Educational Proficiency Awards

Edie Chapman	Kent Narrows
Steven Dalgarno	Dundalk
Larry France	Patapsco River
Bryce Frey	Annapolis
Linda Hofberg	Rockville
Edward Kalinowski	Wilmington
Zachary Nelson	Virginia Beach





2016 Fall Conference - Thursday





2016 Fall Conference - Friday





2016 Fall Conference - Saturday





2016 Fall Conference - D/C Cocktail Party





2016 Fall Conference - Banquet





2016 Fall Conference - Sunday Council Meeting





A Tale of D5's 2016 Sail Regatta

Inclement weather -- dominated by major 30 to 45 knot winds from the Northwest -- forced the official cancellation of the USPS District 5 Sail Regatta, Fishing Tournament, and Fall Festival scheduled for the weekend of 21-23 October at Herrington Harbour South.

But with the sudden bonus of free time, Sail Regatta Chair Stu Myers, Fishing Tournament Chair Bernie Karpers, and Fall Festival Chair Georgiana Maszczenski rallied to put together a virtual sail regatta and ladder-ball tournament at Mission BBQ's Annapolis restaurant, an appropriate selection since Mission BBQ was going to be the Awards Banquet caterer had the real event transpired.

The "sail-tales" regatta was the highlight of the evening, with captains and first mates regaling attendees with fanciful stories on "how we won the race." Entrants included (in alphabetical order by boat): "2nd Event" captained by Jeff McKinney, "BS" captained by Stu Myers, "Phoenix" captained by Julien Hofberg, "Pier-to-Pier" captained by Marty Lafferty, and last year's real race winner "Tiphys" captained by Susan Rudy.

The audience voted on win, place, and show, with results tabulated by Event Treasurer Carole Tulip, but the final outcome is still in question as a result of hanging chads and dangling participles.

While those D/5 Members interested in participating in the physical contests didn't get to hoist their sails or troll for rockfish, those who treasure the opportunity to get together with fellow members and enjoy squadron camaraderie had a fun and fulfilling time.

P/D/C Marty Lafferty, AP





2016 UNITED STATES POWER SQUADRONS® NATIONAL YOUTH POSTER CONTEST RESULTS



“It’s Personal! It’s Your Life.....It’s Your Lifejacket!”

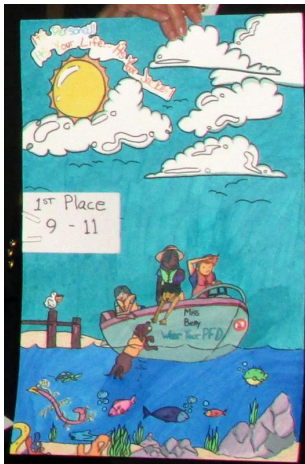
Three amazing posters were entered from District 5 in the United States Power Squadrons® 2016 Youth Poster Contest! Two were sponsored by Northern Neck Power Squadron and one from Absecon Island Power Squadron.

In the 9 to 11 age group, Mia Bundy, a student at Northumberland Middle School in Lottsburg, VA, won first place. Mia was sponsored by Northern Neck Power Squadron. Her poster will be taken to Orlando and submitted in the national competition.

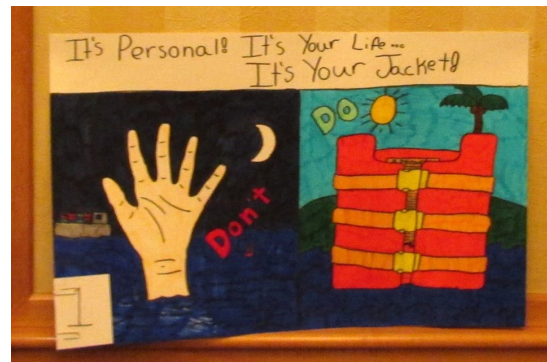
In the 12-14 age group, both Ralph Carugno and Madison Garrity submitted excellent posters. Ralph Carugno of Mays Landing, NJ and sponsored by Absecon Island Power Squadron won second place and Madison Garrity, a student at Northumberland Middle School and sponsored by Northern Neck Power Squadron won first place. Madison’s poster will be entered into the national competition in January.

All three entrants will receive a Certificate of Participation from District 5 and a personal letter from District Commander Randy Stow.

Congratulations to all three participants. Your posters were imaginative and inspiring and fully depicted this year’s theme: “Make It Personal...It’s Your Life, It’s Your Lifejacket.”



1st Place 9 - 11
Mia Bundy



1st Place 12 - 14
Madison Garrity



2nd Place 12 - 14
Ralph Carugno



United States Power Squadrons (USPS) Digital Media Library (DML)

The United States Power Squadrons (USPS) Digital Media Library (DML) is nearing the completion of its first phase, DML 1.0.

This includes the new website at uspsdml.org, free mobile apps at Google Play and App Store, 20 original videos focusing on safe practices for powerboat operations, plus boater education slideshows and boating safety images.

Members are encouraged to subscribe to the USPS DML channel on YouTube, like the USPS DML page on Facebook, and follow the USPS DML presence on Twitter.

All are free of charge -- as is all digital media content in the library.

At the District 5 Fall Educational Conference, the USPS DML debuted its new Animations section of the library, featuring 16 boat maneuver animations developed by DML Concept Animator Jim Heckman.

Also highlighted were the Instructor Manuals that provide methods and strategies guidelines (MS&Gs) for each piece of digital media. For questions about how to use DML content, please contact DML Instructor Liaison Jeff McKinney.

The final initiative for DML 1.0 was the translation of the original video scripts into Spanish, recording Spanish narration tracks, and re-mastering and re-editing each video title for launch in the Biblioteca de Recursos Digitales (BRD) co-located at the USPS DML primary website.

Visitors are invited to click on "Espanol" at the top of the homepage.

All told, one-hundred sixty USPS Members earned Merit Marks by working on DML 1.0 -- with many of them right here in District 5.

The focus of the USPS DML leading into the USPS National Annual Meeting is now on its second phase, DML 2.0.

This includes a major redesign of the online properties focusing on greater personalization as "MyDML" with content tailored to individual boaters, their boats, and locations; a self-led educational portal developed along the lines of today's most successful e-learning offerings; and new categories of digital media to be offered in the library.

New DML 2.0 videos will focus on Accident Reporting, Boating Under the Influence (BUI), Life Jackets, MMSI, Navigation Rules, PWC Operations, and Visual Distress Signals.

If you're interested in participating in roles ranging from on-camera talent to boat wrangler to content previewer, please contact DML Resource Coordinator John O'Reilly or DML Project Manager Marty Lafferty.

P/D/C Marty Lafferty, AP



2017 Annual Meeting

Sunday, February 19, 2017 - Sunday, February 26, 2017
Orlando, FL



Rosen Centre Hotel

This is the main meeting Hotel
9840 International Drive
Orlando FL 32819
Telephone: 800-204-7234
Rate: \$149.00

Fun with Friends: Orlando Activities

Tuesday, 21 February

0800–1600: SeaWorld Orlando — Come to Florida and see the Sea Life! Sea World Orlando is less than a mile from the hotel. Spend the morning on the “Sea World Behind the Scenes Tour” (75 minutes) then on your own to eat, spend the day in the park and see shows. Ticket price includes the tour and park admission. Shows are included. This includes a guided tour including how they care for rescued manatee and sea turtles, touching sharks and interacting with a penguin. Transportation for this one is not included. We will leave the hotel together at approximately 0830, on the Trolley which picks up in front of the Rosen Centre, then return to hotel whenever you like. You may also share a taxi if you don't want to ride on the Trolley. The round trip cost of the Trolley is \$4 for those under age 65 or \$0.50 for those 65 or older. Cash must be used for the Trolley. If any Accessibility needs are required, please notify us at least 4 weeks in advance. Lots of walking involved, so please wear comfortable shoes.

\$118 before 9 January, \$128 after

1645–2230: Blue Man Group at Universal Studios — Experience the mystery, the humor, the euphoria and the indescribable celebration of art, technology and music that is Blue Man Group at Universal Orlando® Resort. Lose yourself in the incredible performances, the astounding music and the captivating stage show. Combining science and laughter, Blue Man Group makes for an explosive evening of entertainment that has wowed more than 25 million people worldwide. We will take motor coach transportation to just outside the gate of Universal Orlando Resort where you will have time to dine in one of many restaurants and then gather together at 1930 for the 2000 show. Departure from the Rosen Centre will be approximately 1645. Arrival back to the Rosen Centre will be approximately 2230. Seating will be in either Tier 1 or Tier 2, but we will be seated together.

\$71 before 9 January, \$81 after

Wednesday, 22 February

0800–1500: Winter Park Scenic Boat Tour and Morse Museum Tour — Whether you're adventuresome first-time visitors seeking flora and fauna or savvy Orlando travelers seeking an off- the-beaten-path vacation experience, you won't be disappointed when you discover the Winter Park Scenic Boat Tour. Located on Lake Osceola in a quiet suburb less than 10 minutes from downtown Orlando, the boat tour offers hour-long, guided cruises through three of the seven lakes and two narrow, man-made canals on the tranquil Winter Park chain.

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On any given tour, participants may observe cranes swooping waterside to snag a large fish or a lazy alligator languishing on a nearby bank. An occasional water skier or racing shell full of crew members from Rollins, the area's private liberal arts college, are also enjoyable sideshows for tour goers. After the boat ride, it's a short walk to multitudes of eateries for lunch followed by a group tour of the Morse Museum; and there will be some time for shopping on the 5-minute walk back to the train station.

The Morse Museum houses the world's most comprehensive collection of works by Louis Comfort Tiffany (1848–1933), including the artist and designer's jewelry, pottery, paintings, art glass, leaded-glass lamps and windows; his chapel interior from the 1893 World's Columbian Exposition in Chicago; and art and architectural objects from his Long Island country estate, Laurelton Hall. The Museum's holdings also include American art pottery, late 19th- and early 20th-century American paintings, graphics and decorative art.

Transportation for this tour will be by motor coach to the Sun Train station and then a ride on the Florida Sun Train to Winter Park. If you have mobility issues, please let us know 4 weeks in advance.

\$42 before 9 January, \$52 after

Thursday, 23 February

0800–1500: Boggy Creek—East Lake Airboat Ride with Lunch at Miller's Ale House. This tour departs the Rosen Centre on a motor coach ride to the Boggy Creek—East Lake destination for a 1-hour airboat ride followed by a lunch (on your own) stop at [Miller's Ale House](#). If you have mobility issues that require accommodations, please let us know 4 weeks in advance.

Discover territory that remains unaltered by man in the wilderness of the Central Florida Everglades. Let our experienced Master Captains take you into the breathtaking beauty of natural wonders, including wetlands, cypress trees and wildlife. Ride with a certified U.S. Coast Guard Captain and see Florida alligators, turtles, birds and more in their natural environment. This safe, exciting and educational airboat ride is filled with surprises and wonder. View wildlife on a U.S. Coast Guard Inspected 17-passenger airboat. Each airboat tour is a unique experience and never the same. You will enjoy whisking across the surface of the water while shooting between walls of tall grass.

\$80 before 9 January, \$90 after

Friday, 24 February

0930–1530: Shopping Trip to the Florida Mall — This is a shop-on-your-own excursion for individuals and groups. Transportation is by Trolley to the stop at SeaWorld for the Lynx Bus pick up for Route 111. The Lynx Bus will transport you directly to the Florida Mall where you can shop 'til you drop or just pick up a few things and have a leisurely lunch with friends at one of over 30 eateries. Taxi is always an option as well. You may return at your leisure to get ready for Hospitality Suites this night. The Mall hours on Fridays are 1000 to 2100. Round-trip trolley fare is \$4 for those under 65 or \$0.50 for age 65 and older. The Lynx fare is \$2 each way. The Orlando Premium Outlets are also serviced by the Trolley system if you are more inclined to shop the Outlets.

Free

Meals Package M

Cost: \$175.00

Discounted Price until 9 January 2017 \$140.00

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Includes Friday Breakfast, Members Luncheon, and Saturday Banquet. Does not include Awards Dinner and Department Lunches/Breakfasts, which must be ordered separately.

Meals Package S

Cost: \$175.00

Discounted Price until 9 January 2017 \$140.00

Includes Friday Breakfast, Social Luncheon, and Saturday Banquet. Does not include Awards Dinner and Department Lunches/Breakfasts, which must be ordered separately above.

Registration Fee

Cost: \$35.00

Lunch - DC/DXO

Time: 1215-1345 Cost: \$55.00

Discounted Price until 9 January 2017 \$45.00

Note: Not included in Meal Package M or S. Please order separately here.

Lunch - Educational Department

Time: 1215-1345 Cost: \$50.00

Discounted Price until 9 January 2017 \$40.00

Note: Not included in Meal Package M or S. Please order separately here.

New Life Member Reception

Time: 1830-1930 Cost: \$0.00

Open to all. New Life Members get two free cocktails; a cash bar is available for other participants and guests. New Life Members and their guests are invited to attend the optional Awards Dinner.

Awards Dinner

Time: 1930-2230 Cost: \$66.00

Discounted Price until 9 January 2017 \$56.00

Traditional sit-down dinner with cash bar. Squadron and district awards will be presented after dinner. There will be extra seating for non-dining patrons after dinner is served.

Note: Not included in Meal Package M or S. Please order separately here.

Friday, February 24, 2017

Keynote Breakfast

Time: 0730-0900 Cost: \$45.00

Discounted Price until 9 January 2017 \$35.00

Kick-off the convention meeting with breakfast and opening keynote address. Author Michael Tougias will provide a presentation on his book "The Finest Hours: The True Story of the U.S. Coast Guard's Most Daring Sea Rescue". A Disney movie, "The Finest Hours", has been made based on the book. The book was recently reviewed in the Spring 2016 edition of The Ensign. <http://www.theensign.org/imag/spring2016/> Guaranteed to be very entertaining.

Leadership Training - LD103

Time: 0900-1615 Cost: \$49.00

USPS Leadership LD102 completion is the prerequisite for attendance. No advance preparation is required.

Sign in is 0915 – This Workshop will be held 0915 to 1615 including Lunch

This course is made available at a reduced price of \$49 thanks to a \$50 per attendee contribution from the

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USPS® Century Fund.

More information can be found at the [Leadership Development Committee Website](#)

Lunch - Executive Department

Time: 1215-1345 Cost: \$50.00

Discounted Price until 9 January 2017 \$40.00

Note: Not included in Meal Package M or S. Please order separately

Saturday, February 25, 2017

Social Reception, Luncheon & WELCOME

Time: 1130-1400 Cost: \$50.00

Discounted Price until 9 January 2017 \$40.00

The theme of the 2017 Social luncheon is "WELCOME!"

Enjoy a great lunch and watch District 33's demonstration of "Merengue" and "Salsa" dancing.

Then kick off your shoes and join in the fun! Each attendee will receive a "gift" of Puerto Rican Specialties

Member's Reception & Luncheon

Time: 1200-1400 Cost: \$50.00

Discounted Price until 9 January 2017 \$40.00

Enjoy lunch with your fellow USPS members and guests

Reception & Dinner Dance

Time: 1830-2230 Cost: \$80.00

Discounted Price until 9 January 2017 \$70.00

Come for a wonderful meal and fellowship with USPS members and guests.

How to Register Online

The best way to register for the Annual Meeting is online. From the USPS 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 three-panel page (middle right), where you'll find:

A link to the Event Reservation page where you can enter your USPS certificate number and your zip code or PIN number to pre-fill your registration form with your member information, making it easier to register for your activities and meals.

A link to the Hotel Reservation Site — 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 \$149/ night (plus tax) special room rate will be honored through 9 January 2017 on available rooms during the 19-26 February 2016 period. For rooms with handicap accommodations, please reserve by 20 December 2016.

A complete guide to activities and meals.

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 is your gateway 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 participants who will be using a recreational vehicle during the meetings and a direct link to the nearby [Sherwood Forest RV Resort](#).

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Newsletters. You'll also be able to access National Meeting Committee Newsletters on the Meetings & Events page.





IN MEMORIUM

D/Lt/C James Herman Redding, P

June 1, 1938 – November 21, 2016



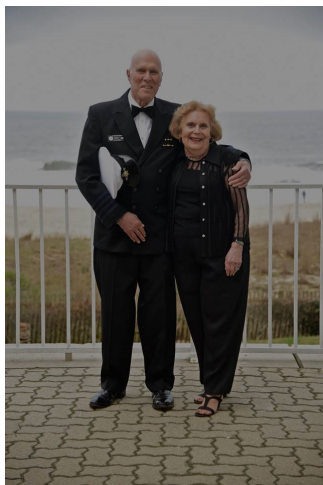
James Herman Redding, a retired Army contract administrator, died November 21st at his home in Aberdeen at the age of 78.

Jim was born in Buffalo, New York. After graduating from Shawnee Mission High School in Overland Park, Kansas, he attended the University of Kansas and American University. He graduated from Tarkio College in Tarkio Missouri with a B.S. Degree in Business Administration and did graduate work in Contracting with the Florida Institute of Technology.

In 1964, Jim began his life-long public service in the government, serving as a Deputy Auditor for Montgomery County in Dayton, Ohio, a procurement agent in the Defense Electronics Supply Center in Dayton, a procurement analyst at the Army Ammunitions Plant in Kingsport, Tennessee, and as a contract specialist at the Rock Island Army Arsenal, in Rock Island, Illinois. In 1979, he transferred to Aberdeen Proving Ground in Aberdeen, Maryland where he retired in 1993 after 32 years of dedicated service to the Department of the Army.

Having built his first boat in the basement of his parent's house in Kansas, Jim was a life member and District Lieutenant of the United States Power Squadron with 37 merit marks. He served as Commander of the Bush River Power Squadron, **Treasurer of District 5**, and as Safety Check Chairman for the Dundalk Sail and Power Squadron. He was a certified Instructor with a pilot rating and a vessel safety inspector.

Jim is survived by two brothers, John and Robert Redding, six nephews and nieces, and many friends, god-children, cousins, and other relatives. A Memorial service will be held at the Oak Grove Baptist Church in Bel Air Maryland at 2:00 on April 22.



I would like to thank everyone who gave me such wonderful support with regard to Rhoda's passing. Many attended her funeral, sent condolences, and visited me afterwards. I, along with my family are most grateful for your caring support.

Mel Shralow



Call for Volunteers!

Several USPS national committees are looking for volunteers with these technical skills: graphic design, desk-top publishing, technical editing, proofreading, marketing and social media. We need volunteers who have expertise in Adobe Creative Suite (InDesign, Illustrator, PhotoShop), Microsoft Office (Word, PowerPoint, Excel, Publisher) and CorelDRAW. Boating expertise is not required: This is a great opportunity to learn while sharing your technical skills to help USPS develop products and services that benefit squadrons and the boating public. Committee chairs will work with you to ensure assignments are clear and respect your time availability.

Contact: Nominating Committee chairman, R/C Bill Selden V, AP, bill@cpdean.com, 804-240-1401.



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UPCOMING EVENTS

26-29 Jan	Baltimore Boat Show	Baltimore, MD
19-26 Feb	USPS Annual Meeting	Orlando, FL
1-5 March	Atlantic City Boat Show	Atlantic City, NJ
30 Mar-2 Apr	District 5 Spring Conference	Ocean City, MD
21-23 Apr	Bay Bridge Boat Show	Stevensville, MD
20-26 May	National Safe Boating Week	
22-27 July	Summer Cruise	TBA
28-30 July	District 5 Summer Council	Norfolk, VA
10-17 Sep	USPS Governing Board	Dallas, TX
5-9 Oct	Annapolis Sailboat Show	Annapolis, MD
12-15 Oct	Annapolis Powerboat Show	Annapolis, MD
TBA	Sail Regatta/Fishing Tournament	
TBA	District 5 Fall Conference	



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