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Commander's Report



It will be 2018 by the time you read this. **Happy New Year everyone!**

December was a busy month. I want to express my gratitude to those who made the following happen:

- The Christmas dinner meeting: The atmosphere was fun and relaxed. Good job Administrative Officer Kevin and Team!
- The Christmas parade boat float: The boat, truck, and trailer were provided by Indian Hills Marina. Thank you Todd & Cheryl. Creativity, talent and hard work produced the best float in the parade – no bias here!
- December E-board: I appreciate all who showed up, but most of all, thank you Executive Officer Barbara for doing an outstanding job of leading the meeting.
- Donations to DOCServices, Inc.: The Squadron added \$500 to the \$800+ that our members donated. B.J. Mooney expressed her heartfelt appreciation when presented with the check.

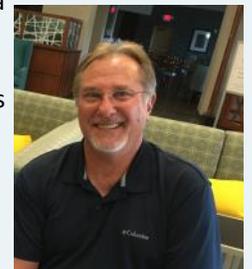
Our squadron experienced a gain in new membership in 2017. This is important because new members can bring energy, enthusiasm, & new ideas. I would like to see 2018 show the same gain. Word of mouth may be one of the most important ways to attract new members. Our ABC and Seamanship courses are also good opportunities. The Grove boat show is approaching and provides a venue to showcase our organization. I do not want to minimize the importance, however, of retaining our tenured members and past officers. These members are essential to the survival of GLSPS with their experience, perspective, and leadership.

The next dinner meeting is Thursday, Jan. 18. I know there will be a good turnout to start the New Year!

Please feel free to call, text or email me anytime with your suggestions and comments.

Ken Moore, P

Commander, Grand Lake Sail and Power Squadron



S ———Seamanship
P ———Piloting
AP ———Advanced Piloting

JN ———Junior Navigator
N ———Navigator
SN ———Senior Navigator



CHRISTMAS PARTY



Welcome!

Commander Ken Moore inducted 8 new members into the GLSPS at our annual Christmas Party.



MEET OUR NEW MEMBERS

Michelle & Gregg Hooper

Michelle & Gregg lived in Walters in SW OK for 34 years and boated on Waurika Lake when the children were young. Gregg was an insurance adjuster, and Michelle was a commissioned medical officer with the United States Public Health Service. They retired and moved to their home on Wolf Creek in 2012. They are active in their church (Church of the Shepherd or COS). Michelle volunteers as a CASA (court appointed special advocate to children in the foster system). Gregg loves to putter in his shop. He keeps both the coffee pot and the beer fridge going, so there are usually several of the neighbors' golf carts parked outside.

Julie & Roger Jones

Roger & Julie moved here from Garden City Kansas where Roger retired from ONEOK as a supervisor of pipeline operations. Julie retired from Kearny County Conservation District Manager. Julie was previously involved with Chamber and PRIDE committee in Kansas. They now live in Wolf Creek across the cove from boat ramps. Their pontoon is first boat they have owned. They love the outdoors and like to boat, fish, jet ski, kayak, and entertain company.

Alan & Diana Smith

Alan and Diana both worked for Mountain Bell Telephone in Denver CO before moving to Grand Lake in 1987 after the divestiture. Initially, they both worked at Port Duncan, then at American Folk Art for 16 years. When it closed, Diana worked at Oklahoma Bank on Monkey Island, and Alan ran a home remodeling business for a few years, but stopped in 2012 after surgery for a brain bleed. They both grew up in families that spent every weekend at a lake camping, water-skiing, and swimming, so living on a lake was a dream come true. They live on 10 acres on the Horse Creek arm of the lake. Diana loves designing and caring for flower gardens, they both enjoy traveling and camping and are active in the Episcopal Church in Grove.

Steve & Kaye Snyder

Kaye is originally from Blackwell OK, and Steve is from Oklahoma City. Edmond Oklahoma was home to them for many years, but they have also lived in New York and Texas and owned 4 lake houses over the years with numerous types of boats and watercraft. Steve retired from management at Morgan Stanley. They frequently entertain family and friends on the lake. Kaye enjoys pickleball, tennis, quilting, crafting, and is a member of the Grove Quilters Guild and Daughters of the American Revolution in Oklahoma City. Steve likes boating, fishing, woodworking, and tinkering. They live just east of Sail Boat Bridge, a couple houses away from Ken & Mary Alice Moore, in Sun Harbor Estates.

Cheryl Elson

Cheryl has asked to be reinstated as a member. She initially joined with Todd after taking ABC3 in April 2013, but let her membership lapse after the trial membership period. Cheryl is a medical coder and biller and works in Claremore during the week and at the resort on the weekend. The Elson's own and manage Indian Hills Resort. They recently sold their home in Claremore and purchased land near the resort. They are temporarily living at the resort while they build a new home.

CHRISTMAS PARTY



60 members and 5 guests from the Playmakers attended our annual Christmas Party at the River Bend Casino. Entertainment was provided by the Grove Playmakers creating a festive atmosphere with their witty seasonal reading. Thank you, Karon Wheat for arranging the entertainment!

Commander Ken Moore presented P/C Baxter Thorman JN with a Lifetime Achievement Award, earning 15 merit marks during his 23 years of membership. He was recognized several times as an outstanding instructor, mentoring many of our present JN qualified members. He was a driving force in the development of the GLSPS and was its first commander in 2000. Thank you, Baxter, for your service!

This year we selected DOCServices, Inc as our charity and our members generously donated \$880 with the GLSPS E-Board approving \$500 more to support senior citizen programs in Delaware County.

DOCSERVICES INC CHECK PRESENTATION

Members of the Grand Lake Sail & Power Squadron gathered at the Grand Lake Visitor Center in Grove, the afternoon of December 12, to present a check to DOCServices, Inc. The check was presented by Bruce Watson, past commander, to B.J. Mooney, executive director of DOCServices, Inc. Members of the Grand Lake Sail & Power Squadron donated money at their Christmas party and then that amount was matched by the squadron to make a total of \$1,380.

DOCS has been providing senior citizens services in Northeast Oklahoma for over 35 years through an on-going arrangement with Grand Gateway Area Agency on Aging. They began in 1980 as the Ottawa County Homemaker Program providing services to residents of Ottawa County and have expanded over the years to provide meals and core services to residents of Craig and Delaware Counties also. They operate both the Miami and Grove Senior Center Kitchens providing over 500 meals daily to homebound clients along with their congregate setting clients located in the 9-Tribes Tower dining room in Miami, Community room of the Commerce Public Housing Authority in Commerce, the Grove Senior Center, Afton Senior Center, Bluejacket Senior Center and Burroughs Manor located in Vinita. They also provide **Meals on Wheels** service to residents of Delaware, Ottawa and Craig Counties along with our ADvantage Frozen Meal Program. Along with their meal services, they also offer in-home chore services for those who qualify.



EDUCATION SCHEDULE

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This is the tentative 2018 course schedule. We are canvassing members as to their interest in taking a class, or two, during the year. The schedule as we have it so far is shown as follows, and we anticipate adding more classes as interest dictates.

| <u>START DATE</u> | <u>COURSE</u> | <u>SESSIONS</u> |
|-------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| January 9 | Operations Training | 1 Session |
| January 15 | Weather | 5-9 Sessions (TBD) |
| March | Advanced Piloting | 8 Sessions |
| March | ABC Boat Safety | 5 Sessions |
| April | Engine Maintenance | 6 Sessions |
| May | Seamanship | 5 Sessions |
| September | CPR/1st Aid | TBD |
| October | ABC Boat Safety | 5 Sessions |

Remember that all members receive a free class every year. So, if you are interested in one of these scheduled classes or another class, please contact Roger Zinn, our Education Officer (call 918-676-3254) or email rogerzinn601@yahoo.com).

CHRISTMAS PARADE



The Annual Lighted Christmas Parade was held in downtown Grove on Dec. 9 from 6-8 pm. We began our day at Bill and Peggy Miller's home at 9 am with a pot luck breakfast to assure that we had enough energy to decorate the tri-ton provided by members, Todd & Cheryl Elson, of Indian Hills Marina. Executive Officer, Barbara Zinn, lead the effort despite having shoulder surgery the previous day. The float planning committee designed an amazing gingerbread man themed array! Everyone pitched in to string lights and attach the decorations on the float. It was a beautiful sight to behold. The evening culminated with a celebration at Las Palmeras Mexican Restaurant.



DO YOU KNOW?

By P/D/C Larry Stout SN-IN



ARTICLE 1

The most popular type of sailboat for both cruising and racing is the sloop-rigged boat. The mast is located farther back on the boat allowing for a sail to be flown forward of the mast. This type is very popular on Grand Lake and can be recognized by a main sail and jib sail. Jibs come in many sizes allowing flexibility depending on the wind strength. Most of the sails can be “reefed” or reduced in size as needed and many now have roller-furling capabilities that allow a reduction in sail size and for storage of the sail. Everyone enjoys seeing a sailboat on the water flying a colorful spinnaker which is a type of sail attached forward of the mast to boost speed when going in certain directions with the wind.

ARTICLE 2

Eighty percent of all lightning is within a cumulonimbus cloud or between them and is referred to as sheet lightning. The most dangerous and dramatic lightning strikes are those that strike the surface. The electrical discharge is enormous at about 100 million volts. The flash is really a series of 3 or 4 strokes separated by about 50 milliseconds. Thunder is caused as the lightning heats the surrounding air which cools quickly producing sound waves heard as thunder.

By dividing the time (number of seconds) between the flash and the first sound of thunder by 5, the distance in miles from the lightning can be estimated. Remember the National Weather Service rule of 30/30. Seek shelter if the delay between the lightning flash and the thunder is 30 seconds or less. Remain in the shelter for 30 minutes after the last thunderclap.

ARTICLE 3

Carbon monoxide poisoning can occur with the “station wagon effect” on boats. When running your boat under power, make sure the cockpit has some positive air flow through it. Those with cruisers should remember to close the stern ports. People have gone below to nap in the aft cabin and have been overcome by the CO fumes that were sucked in through the open ports of the cabin. Be cautious about rafting up with another boat that is running a generator or motor. The exhaust fumes may enter your boat depending where the exhaust is exiting. Avoid going under a swim platform if the generator or motor is running as the concentration of carbon monoxide can be so great one large breath can be fatal.

If you have a carbon monoxide detector, check it periodically to make sure it is working. If you don't have one, it is time to install one. For many cruisers it is wise to install at least two. Put them in the sleeping areas and salon.

The symptoms of mild carbon monoxide poisoning are nearly the same as motion sickness or flu-like with nausea, weakness, dizziness and headache. Confusion may occur and if the concentration is heavy enough one will become almost immediately unconscious and stop breathing leading to death.

Boat Smart from the start and take a course from the United States Power Squadrons, America's Boating Club. For more information visit our website at: www.grandlakeusps.com or on Facebook at GLSPS.



JANUARY DINNER MEETING

IT'S A NEW YEAR!
TIME TO KICK IT OFF WITH A FUN GET-TOGETHER!

DON'T MISS OUR FIRST SQUADRON DINNER MEETING AND SOCIAL HOUR!

Date: January 18, 2018

Location: Eagles Landing Resort
25301 US Hwy 59 North
Grove, OK 74344

Time: 6:00pm – Social Hour
7:00pm – Dinner

Cost: \$6.00 per person to cover cost of Club House Fee and Supplies

It's likely to be wintery cold outside so it will be great to have some Soup & Chili & fixin's inside. Some nice folks from the Squadron have volunteered to bring a crock pot full of chili or soup. So we're asking everyone else to bring a salad or dessert to share. Please let us know what you will bring in case we need to balance things out a bit. The Squadron will provide shredded cheese, crackers, nachos, etc. Tea and water will also be provided (BYOB if desired).

Our guest speaker will be Scott Horton from the GRDA, to share status and progress about the Grand Lake Shore Line Adoption program, and any other topics of interest.

Please RSVP to Kevin Kamrath with what dish (salad, dessert, etc.) you plan to bring.

You may reply to Kevin at Kevkamok@gmail.com or at glspboatclub@aol.com.



UPCOMING EVENTS

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Event</u> | <u>Time</u> | <u>Location</u> |
|-----------------|----------------------------|-------------|-------------------------------|
| January | | | |
| 9 | Operations Manual Training | 1300 | GLA |
| 15 | Weather Class | 1800 | GLA |
| 16 | E-Board | 1300 | GLA |
| 23 | Dinner Meeting Pot Luck | 1800 | Eagles Landing |
| 1/29-2/4 | Tulsa Boat Show | Varies | River Spirit Expo |
| February | | | |
| 13 | E-Board | 1300 | GLA |
| 15 | Dinner Meeting | 1800 | St. Andrew's Episcopal Church |



HAPPY BIRTHDAY



January

- 1/1 Dennis Ray
- 1/3 Ed Dennis
- 1/4 Debbie Sweeten
- 1/5 Steve Snyder
- 1/9 Donna Killion
- 1/17 Jim Reynolds
- 1/17 Carol Goodwin
- 1/28 Linda Fletcher
- 1/29 Jim Sweeten

Happy
New Year!

From your Editor...

Please send me pictures (with names and the activity), ideas and suggestions that are most important to you. The deadline is the 23rd of the month. Thanks for your input and support., Micki

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