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Commander's Report



2015-2016 Bridge

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Fair Winds and Following Seas

The time has come to turn the helm over to the new Bridge. During the past year as your Commander we have accomplished many things. When I became Commander, I had three goals. One, to raise money for education and general fund. Two, get out there and educate non members, and members alike. Three, to have FUN! I feel that we as your Bridge and Executive Board have been true to these goals. We have also as a Squadron got out into the civic community and have given them faces to go along with the USPS logo. Our exposure to the public has been phenomenal. Many projects are on the table for discussion next year with the new Bridge.

I want to take this time to thank you all for your support of Grand Lake Sail and Power Squadron, the Bridge, and me as your Commander. Without your membership and support, this Squadron wouldn't be the largest and strongest in District 30. Again, Thank You!

I also want to take this time to wish Bruce Watson and his new Bridge the best of luck in their upcoming year. Let's all get behind them, come out and participate, and support their efforts to make Grand Lake Sail and Power Squadron one of the best Squadrons in the Nation.

Scott Cox, P

Commander, Grand Lake Sail and Power Squadron



Outgoing Commander, Scott Cox, and incoming Commander, Bruce Watson, at the October 18 E-Board Meeting

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



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



United States Power Squadron District 30 Fall Conference

The Four Rivers Sail and Power Squadron hosted the District 30 Fall Conference in Branson, Missouri on Saturday, October 8, 2016. Fourteen of our members represented the Grand Lake Sail and Power Squadron. District 30 includes squadrons from Boulder Valley, Des Moines, Four Rivers, Grand Lake, Kansas City, St. Louis, and Waterloo. The meeting was conducted by Commander of District 30, D/C Terri Elia, JN. One of the purposes of District meeting is to provide communication between USPS and District squadrons. Some of these topics included:

- Trend of declining membership in the district with a net loss of 53 members. (GLSPS had net gain of 1)
- Increase public awareness of the contributions the squadron has made and can make to boating knowledge and safety in the community.
- Development of Looping Booth Presentations and Digital Media for use in boating class presentations, boat show booth displays, and Blended Learning Programs for education.



USPS Brand Development Ad

This ad is very different from what National USPS has done in the past. Instead of asking the customer to focus on boating safety, or trying to impress them with our 100 year age, we need to generate excitement, show that we are welcoming and would happily include them in our organization, and let them know in just a couple of nano-seconds what we are all about.

Notice the welcoming message. Notice the excitement and anticipation. Note the brief but succinct description of what's in it for the potential member. (And yes, she is wearing a life vest.)

Log into USPS website and you will be able to view: <http://www.usps.org/index.php/departments/12000/12400/upcoming-national-meeting>, Ad Campaigns and R&M Project. View Powerpoint "Market Analysis and Growing the USPS Brand" that was presented at 2016 National USPS meeting in Pittsburgh.



Welcome to the neighborhood

LEARN boating skills
ENGAGE with boating friends
CONNECT with the boating community

United States Power Squadrons

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Mission Statement "To promote recreational boating safety through education and civic activities while providing fellowship for our members"



“The GLA’s “new/revived” Pelican/October Festival activities were apparently big hit. A beer tent with full power German beers, brats, homemade German potato salad and kraut, brought in visitors from all four states. The Pelican viewing boat rides were also a big hit. 122 guests paid \$15 for the chance to see Lady Grand and it’s migratory bird population on a 1-1/2 hour boat ride aboard donated pontoon boats captained by our own GLSPS members. Visitors to our booth were well ahead of the past couple of years traffic and we garnered five people for our ABC class that commenced the Monday immediately after the festival. A special shout out to the members that manned the booth and captained the guest pontoon boats. The (mostly) nice weather made it a perfect weekend for the event and our volunteers also enjoyed their time at the festival.”

Bruce Watson, COO

Miss Delaware County is trying her hand on the “Wheel of Safety” with assistance from Earl Starkman.



Don & Carole Chalupnik skippered one of the Tri-toons providing scenic boat tours to locals and visitors to Sailboat Bridge and Bird Island to see the magnificent White Pelicans.



Dinner Meeting October 20, 2016

The slate for 2016-2017 was presented at the GLSPS Dinner Meeting. We still need to fill the **Assistant Secretary's position**, an opening in the **Nominating Committee**, **Auditing Committee** and the **Executive Committee**.

The Grand Lake Sail and Power Squadron Bylaws (2012) explain briefly what the three General Committees do for the squadron. The Committees are the Rules Committee, the Nominating Committee and the Audit Committee.

Section 6.8 The **Nominating Committee** shall select a candidate for each elective office and for the chairman and members of each elective committee provided for herein, and shall submit its written report to the secretary at least 40 days prior to the annual meeting.

6.8.1 Other than interviews with potential nominees, no member of this committee shall comment upon or discuss committee business with any non-member of this committee and, other than the nominations report, no non-member of this committee shall be entitled to receive any information concerning the committee's deliberations.

6.8.2 No member of this committee may also serve on the bridge; nor may a member be nominated by this committee for assumption of any bridge office commencing less than one year after the member's service on this committee ends; nor may any members serve again on this committee for at least one year after their service on this committee ends. For the purposes of this section a year shall be deemed to be the normal watch of bridge officers.

Section 6.9 The **Rules Committee** shall be the guardian of adherence to the USPS bylaws, USPS policy and squadron bylaws. The committee shall be familiar with the current edition of *Model Bylaws for Squadrons of USPS* and prepare recommendations as necessary to keep this squadron's bylaws consistent with USPS policy. It shall prepare the wording of proposed amendments as may be directed by the Executive Committee, the membership or proposed on its own initiative.

Section 6.10 The **Auditing Committee** shall examine all records of the treasurer as of the last day of the squadron fiscal year and submit a report of its findings for action by a membership meeting not more than 60 days after the end of the fiscal year. An additional audit shall be performed and reported to the membership within 60 days should a different individual assume the office of treasurer prior to the end of the fiscal year.



Mary Ann Stout explains Nominating Process at dinner meeting!



Barbara Zinn is preparing the Halloween (witch's brew) punch.



American Grill catered a wonderful buffet!



Slate for 2016-2017

Bridge	
Commander Bruce Watson, S	
Executive Officer Ken Moore, S	
Administrative Officer Bob Russel, S	Assistant Administrative Officer Ken Noteboom
Educational Officer Bob Hunt, N	Assistant Ed Officer Roger Zinn, S
Secretary Arlene Starkman, S	Assistant Secretary OPEN
Treasurer Barbara Zinn, S	Assistant Treasurer P/D/C Bill Miller, P
Executive Committee	Audit Committee
Past Commander Scott Cox, P	Richard McKee, P Chairman 2017
Ed Dennis, S	Carol Goodwin, S 2018
Chuck Brandt, S	OPEN
Kevin Kamrath, S	
John Walter, S	Rules Committee
Earl Starkman, S	Mary Ann Stout, S Chairman 2017
OPEN	Candice McNabb, S 2018
	Sue Brandt, S 2019
Nominating Committee	
Mary Alice Moore, S Chairman 2017	
OPEN	
P/C Scott Cox, P 2019	



October Dinner Meeting



Commander Scott Cox called the October Dinner Meeting to order.



Mary Alice Moore reported that this year the GLSPS Christmas Charity will be the Community Crisis Center of NE OK instead of Toys for Tots. Their shelter and safe house provide residential care, safety and hope to victims of domestic violence right here in Delaware County. Your donations at the December 8 Christmas party at Wyandotte Casino will be matched by the GLSPS up to \$500.



Jim Sweeten summarized the proceedings of the District 30 Fall Meeting in Branson.

Do You Know?

By P/D/C Larry Stout SN-IN



Article 1

Towards the end of the boating season, delaying refueling until closer to the time of winterizing your boat will give more room for fresh fuel and reduce the aging process of fuel in your tanks. Don't forget to add a fuel stabilizer to reduce problems caused by condensation of water, fuel evaporation and fungus (in diesel engines). Preventing a problem is easier and less expensive.

Interested in becoming more confident in your boating skills? The United States Power Squadrons offers many courses such as weather, seamanship, navigation, marine mechanics and marine electronics online and in the classroom. For more information visit our website at: www.grandlakeusps.com or on Face Book at GLSPS.

Article 2

Chartering a boat to explore areas far from one's normal boating area is an option for the boater. Charters are available all over the world. During the winter months the Caribbean becomes a popular destination. One of the first choices to be made is whether to do a bareboat charter or one with a hired crew. Boats with a hired crew will usually be larger and provide greater comfort and amenities. Sharing the cost with others can make it more affordable.

Bareboat charters are similar to renting a car. You assume the responsibility for the boat and provide your own crew. The charter company will want to make sure that you are competent to handle the boat. They will request a resume of your boating experience and boating education such as courses through the United States Power Squadron. Some companies may have you do a hands-on test to show your ability to handle the boat.

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Article 3

Towing another boat that has broken down requires proper knowledge to do it safely. Towing puts considerable strain on both boats and can result in injury to personnel on either boat because of towlines pulling loose cleats and deck fittings that are not reinforced with backing plates. Using a bridle on the towing boat can be helpful to reduce strain. Polypropylene line is safer than nylon because it floats and has less stretch should a fitting pull out. A rule of thumb for pleasure boats is to never tow a boat that is more than 1 ½ times its own displacement (not length). Towing speed should be around 10% less than the hull displacement speed of the towed vessel or about 7 mph for a boat with a 25 foot waterline.

A good decision for the boater may be to stand by the other vessel offering assistance as you can, until a boat more suitable for towing or a commercial service can be contacted.

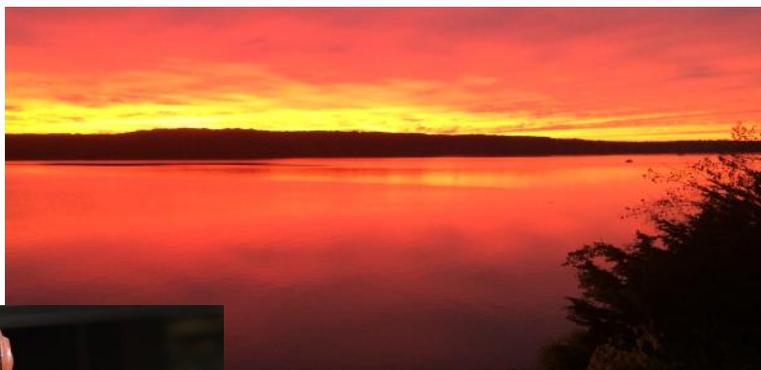
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Photos

Autumn...the year's
last, loveliest smile!

By
John Walter



HAPPY BIRTHDAY



November

11/4 Scott Cox
11/12 Ed Landers
11/15 Connie Spicer
11/15 Nan Gibson
11/18 William Foster
11/19 Earl Starkman

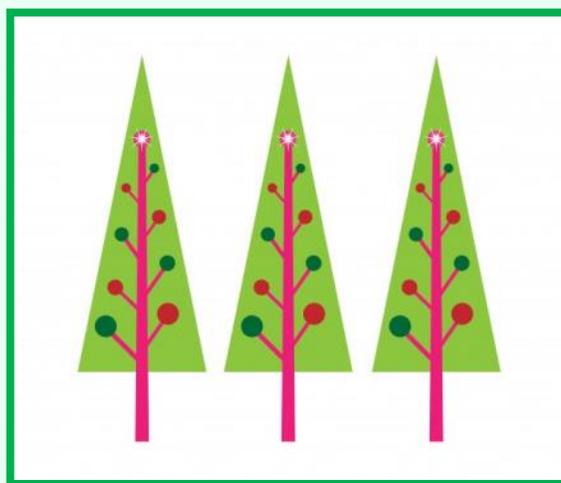


11/20 Ken Noteboom
11/24 Peggy Miller
11/25 Pat Janiga
11/27 Kathy Hunt
11/27 William Reese



UPCOMING EVENTS

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
November			
4	Change of Watch Decorating	1200	Cherokee Yacht Club
5	Change of Watch Dinner Event	1800	Cherokee Yacht Club
15	E-Board Meeting	1300*	GLA
*Effective Tuesday, Nov 15, GLSPS E-Board meetings will take place at the GLA at 1300 (1 PM) on the Tuesday prior to the third Thursday of each month through the term of the new E-Board. This change was made to accommodate schedules of some of our new board members and the only change is the time.			
December			
8	Christmas Party	1800	Wyandotte Casino
20	E-Board Meeting	1300*	GLA



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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