



The Newswheel

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Upcoming Calendar

Thursday, 7 January 2010

LSPS Dinner Meeting

Social: 1830

Dinner: 1900

Location: K of C

4417 Upper River Road

Cost: \$13.00

Speaker: LSPS Members

Topic: Barefoot Cruise

Menu: Salad, Fried Fish

Baked Chicken, Potato Au Gratin, Bread

Dessert, Coffee, Tea

Raffle Prizes: TBA

Make Reservations by January 4

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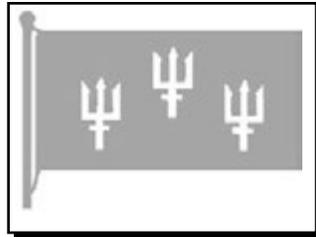
Ruth Leitner

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January 2010



Commander's Report

Cdr David W. Robertson, AP

Hello Fellow
Boater's,

Tresia and I
really enjoyed the
Christmas Party

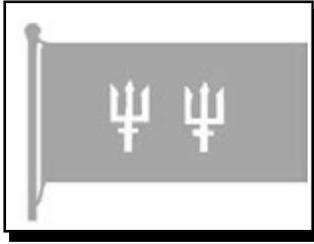


this year at Kingfish. The party was very well attended and my thanks to each and everyone that was able to attend. Brenda, Carol, and Paula did a wonderful job again. They have done such a great job the past year. I hope you had a wonderful Christmas and are looking forward to great New Year. This is the time of year we reflect on the past and plan for the future. As some doors closed others were opened. Commander elect Larry Samuels asked if I would serve as the squadron Administrative Officer on the 2010 bridge and after discussing it with Tresia I decided to follow my own words and to give back to the squadron and said yes. I look forward to serving the squadron and the 2010 bridge.

The 2010 D/24 Spring Conference and CoW are in Lexington at the Crowne Plaza on January 29-31, 2010. Now is the time to mark your calendar and make plans to attend. Bluegrass is hosting, and plans are having an "Island Adventure in the Bluegrass" on Friday evening with a tour of historic town of Midway on Saturday. More information is in the District Newsletter along with the registration form.

Also the Louisville Sport, Boat, & RV show is on January 20 through the 24. It is a lot shorter than in the past, so be sure to see Ed Ice and get that premium time slot to work the booth. The list will be at the January 7 dinner meeting. I look forward to seeing everyone there. Start your New Year off right and make your reservation for the dinner meeting. Come and have a great time with your friends. Happy New Year, see you soon.

Thanks, Cdr. David W. Robertson, JN



Executive Officer's Report

Tom Binzer, AP

Well it's about that time of year again; time to start thinking about the annual Sport, Boat and Vacation Show. Before you know it the Christmas Holidays will be just a memory. The show is shorter this

year starting on Wed. Jan.20 and running thru Sun. Jan.24. We will need your help to make this years show a success for the Louisville Sail and Power Squadron.

I want to thank Ed Ice the chairman for the boat show activities for putting together the sign up sheet for this years show. I also want to thank all of you who stepped forward at the Christmas Party to volunteer to work at this years show. We could still use another 20 volunteers which would make the job much easier on everyone. This is an excellent opportunity as a member to step forward and serve your squadron and to see the boat show FREE.

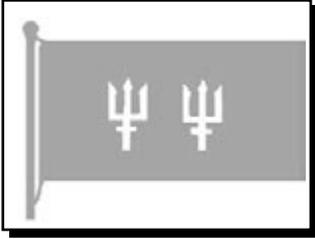
The sign up sheet will be available at the Jan 7th dinner meeting at the K of C for those who were not able to sign up at the Christmas Party.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

From the Executive Officer and Supporting Committees.



Christmas Feast



Administrative Officer's Report

Lt/C Brenda Fisher, S

The LSPS Christmas party was a lot of fun. Everyone mingled and we got a chance to spend some quality time with our fellow members. Kingfish had decorated beautifully once again and the food was great, as usual.

SAVE THE DATE

Monthly Dinner Meeting Thursday, January 7 at K of C on River Road, Louisville

LSPS members were invited to go on a barefoot cruise this past July with the Bluegrass Sail and Power Squadron. We had several members who joined in the fun and they will be sharing their stories and pictures with us. It sounds as if they had a wonderful time and learned a lot. The presentation is bound to be great, so be sure to make your reservations.

District Spring Council and Change of Watch – January 29-30, Lexington, KY

The Spring Council and Change of Watch will be hosted this year by the Bluegrass Sail and Power Squadron. Details will follow from the District Bridge for reservations, but be sure to mark your calendars now and join our fellow members for the weekend or even for just one of the evenings. We always have a good time with our District members and it's great to catch up on what everyone is doing.

Monthly Dinner Meeting Thursday, February 4 at K of C on River Road, Louisville

Speaker will be announced at a later date.

LSPS Change of Watch, Friday, March 12 – Kingfish on River Road

Come join your fellow members in thanking 2009-2010 Bridge for their leadership and guidance this past year and welcome our incoming 2010-2011 Bridge.

"It was a kind of solemn, drifting down the big still river, laying on our backs looking up at the stars, and we didn't even feel like talking loud, and it wasn't often that we laughed, only a little kind of low chuckle."

Mark Twain

Time to Update the Roster

Please check the roster and if your information (Name, Address, Phone, Spouse, E-mail, Boat or where you dock your boat) has changed, please let Maureen Samuels know.

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Squadron Education News

P/C Kim P. Fisher, AP

Education January 2010

It is hard for me to believe that I am writing this article for the January 2010 edition of the Newswheel. 2009 is behind us. We all need to stop a minute during this Holiday Season to consider all we have to be thankful for. I would like to take this opportunity to take stock of all that has been accomplished this year from an educational point-of-view.

In 2009, Larry Samuels was awarded the Educational Achievement Award. This award signifies that Larry has taken every elective course, and every advanced grade course the United States Power Squadron has to offer. Oh, and he passed all of them too! Larry joined a pretty exclusive club in LSPS. Dr. Wallace Past and Associate Member Jim Mattingly are our only two other Full Certificates. Congratulations again to Larry. Falling right in behind Larry, we have three new Junior Navigators in 2009. Congratulations to Tate Combs, Martha Hettinger, and David Robertson. Unless you have taken Junior Navigation, you can't really appreciate how many hours of study and hard work are required. Great Job, Kudos also to Jack Banister who taught JN this year.

We saw six of our members add the designation of AP for Advanced Piloting behind their names. Allen Gailor, Martha Hettinger (notice that she didn't stop here, you read her name in the previous paragraph also), Faye Kugele, Glenn Kugele, David Lynch, and Walter Martin all passed AP in 2009. Larry Samuels served as their able instructor.

Larry also led Faye Kugele, Glenn Kugele and Walter Martin through the maze of plotting and charting required to pass the USPS Piloting class. Our readers will notice that these three students were very busy this year. Congratulations!

And just starting up the ladder of Advanced Grades, Steve Lux, Mark McGill, Mike Ronayne, and Ed Wnorowski successfully completed the rigors of Seamanship. I am proud to be a member of the team of instructors that David Robertson leads for this course which also includes John Kiesel, Alan Roles, and Joe Venhoff.

Cruise Planning graduates during 2009 included Ron Hinson, William Keating, Faye Kugele, and Glenn Kugele. This class was led by Maureen Samuels who always includes additional reasons to attend, like food and drink after class.

Doug Foster has been the LSPS instructor for Engine Maintenance for several years. He brings all sorts of engine parts to class so that students can really see what they are learning about. I understand that this year he even brought his boat to class. Now you talk about Hands On!!! Doug thought that after teaching the class for all these years, he should officially get the class completion on his record also. So, completing the qualifications for Engine Maintenance in 2009 were Jack Banister, Doug Foster, Walter Martin, Janice Weller, and Wayne Weller.

And last but not least, Lee Harris conducted the Operations Training class this year. The qualifications for OT were met in 2009 by Allen Gailor, Faye Kugele, Glenn Kugele, Alan Roles, and Walter Martin.

Congratulations to all the students. You finish 2009 better boaters than you were in 2008. You have mastered many skills and gained an enormous amount of knowledge. Don't stop now, keep moving toward that Full Certificate like Larry, Dr. Post and Jim Mattingly. And for those of you, like me, who attended classes, but for some reason didn't complete them, keep studying, trying, testing, the reward is worthy of the effort. Thanks to all of our Instructors who have given of their time and talent to make this a very successful Educational year.

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GETTING TO KNOW YOU . . .

By Janice Weller S

Susan and Steve Dotts

Steve and Susan joined LSPS after taking the ABC Boating Class in October. They heard about the ABC class from the newspaper and took the class to learn more about boating. Steve and Susan plan to make a trip from Louisville to Florida next September in their boat. They have also taken the Seamanship class and are currently taking Cruise Planning.

Steve and Susan have a 38ft. Mainship Mediterranean which they keep at the Louisville Yacht Club. Steve and Susan both have a long history of boating. Steve has been boating since he was 16 years old. Susan also did some boating in high school. She has also boated in Michigan. Now they both enjoy trips on the river to local restaurants, or just cruising the Ohio. They have also made a trip to Madison Indiana on their boat.

Steve is a native of Louisville where he worked as a police officer. He retired from the Louisville Police Department in 1999. He then worked as a police officer at the Airport and retired from that job last May. Susan is a native of Frankfort Kentucky and is a retired registered nurse.

Steve and Susan met in 2006 and married in 2008. They each have three children. Steve has three boys and Susan has three girls. Together they have a total of 10 grandchildren.

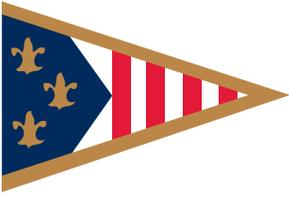
Steve and Susan joined LSPS to meet other people who enjoy boating. Since joining they have learned a lot and met a lot of friendly people. We welcome Steve and Susan to LSPS.



Operation Training Graduates



The Three Muskateers



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