

The Newswheel

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Upcoming Calendar

Thursday, 7 February 2010
LSPS Dinner Meeting
Social: 1830
Dinner: 1900
Location: K of C
4417 Upper River Road
Cost: \$13.00

Speaker: Lt. A.J. Cobaugh,
Louisville Metro PD
Special Operations Division,
River/SWAT Commander
Topic: River Patrol

Menu: ??????

Raffle Prizes: TBA

LSPS Change of Watch
March 12, 2010

Make Reservations by February 1
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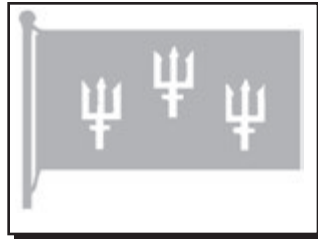
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Commander's Report

Cdr David W. Robertson, AP

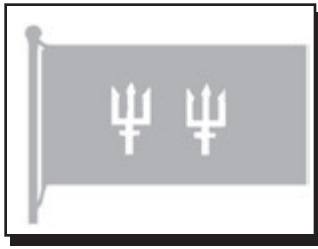
Hello LSPS
Member's,



I want to thank everyone that braved the winter conditions on Thursday January 7 to attend the dinner meeting. We had quite the turnout, for those that weren't able to make it, I do understand. I don't like driving on snowy slick roads at all, but the presentation from Rob, Terry, and Martha about their trip to the Chesapeake Bay with our friends from the Bluegrass squadron was great. Seeing the pictures of good friends boating in blue water and warm temperatures made me forget all about the snow outside for a little while. The dinner of fried fish also hit the spot, I know it's the New Year and I should be cutting back but it is so good. My thanks to Jack Banister for the presenting the wonderful picture of "The Bowditch on the Table" to his students for passing JN. Also Lee Harris presented certificates to his students that took Operations Training and Leadership Development last fall. There's a good reminder that everyone should take a course this year. In talking with Kim I know of several that will be offered, I'll let him give you the details. Education is one side of our USPS Triangle another is Civic Service and I hope you were able to man the booth and tell the public all about the LSPS at the 53rd Annual Boat, RV, and Sport Show. After that did you see that new boat you just had to have, or was there some gadget or gear you couldn't leave without? I certainly hope so, if not maybe just the thought of boating again made the trip worth it. If you didn't get the chance to help out the boat show don't worry that your civic side is left wanting, two more opportunities are coming up soon, the Public Boating course is starting in February and the National Houseboat Show is March 5-7 and we have a booth there also and your participation is always needed for both events. For the third side of the triangle, Fraternal Boating Club was you able to attend the D/24 Spring Council, Conference, and CoW at the Crowne Plaza in Lexington? If you did, great and if not, you still have time to make your dinner reservation and attend the February 4th Dinner Meeting where you know you will have a great time seeing friends and talking about boating, you know you will. Remember our National slogan "Boating is Fun....we'll show you how!"

Thanks, Cdr. David W. Robertson, JN

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Executive Officer's Report

Tom Binzer, AP

NATIONAL HOUSEBOAT EXPO - MARCH 5,6,7

This is another great opportunity for our members to volunteer and see the show free. Some of the volunteers from the January "Sport Boat & Vacation Show" have signed up to work at this event but we can always use your help.

If you would like to volunteer to work at this show you can call Tom Binzer 228-0718 or Ed Ice 241- 7293

If you have never been to this show, you are in for a treat. This show is all about Houseboats and "BOATING" related equipment, not stuffed animals, bows and arrows, ATV's or cotton candy, etc.



Barefooting



Leadership Development

Administrative Officer's Report

Lt/C Brenda Fisher, S



Terri Chambers, Rob Prince, Tammy Gadlage and Martha Hettinger were kind enough to put together a presentation of the wonderful Chesapeake Bay Barefoot Cruise they took in July 2009 with the Bluegrass Sail and Power Squadron. The pictures and stories the team put together drew all of us into the fun they had on their trip and really brought to the forefront the importance of boating knowledge.

The confidence gained from taking the LSPS classes allows all of us who actively boat to continue expanding the boundaries of our "comfort zones". Knowing the rules of safety and navigation, the "how to" of boating, works to make our time on the water more enjoyable. Thank you, USPS Education Department.

SAVE THE DATE

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. The Friday night theme is Island Adventure, so wear your straw hat, Hawaiian Shirt and sandals. They plan a great evening of live beach music, dancing, games and fun starting Friday, 29 January, 7:30 PM "Island Time." Check out the D24 website/D24 Newsletter for all the details. Hope to see you there.

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

Our speaker for February will be Lt. A. J Cobaugh, the Louisville Metro PD Special Operations Division, River/SWAT Commander, who will speak and answer questions about the River Patrol. Come join us for a great dinner and an informative presentation as we look toward Spring and a new boating season.

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

You are invited to join your fellow members in thanking 2009-2010 Bridge for their leadership and guidance this past year and welcome our incoming 2010-2011 Bridge. The Change of Watch is an important event to each Squadron and we hope to see all our members there. Come show your support for incoming Commander Larry Samuels and his team.

Cocktails (cash bar) and appetizers start at 6PM followed by a buffet dinner at 7PM. After dinner the Change of Watch ceremony will take place and the incoming Bridge will take the oath to lead the Squadron for the coming year. Cost is \$25.00 per person. Please make your reservations no later than Monday, March 8 via the website or call 812-284-0634.

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Squadron Education News

P/C Kim P. Fisher, AP

We have all somehow weathered the worst cold snap in years. Now get up and get out of the house. Start preparing for the upcoming boating season. Call or email to register for the upcoming classes. You will need books and supplies, we supply the cheerful instructors.

Sail (SA) – Larry Samuels reports that Sail is wrapping up. Students in this class are currently testing. They now know the principles behind sailing and the difference between a ketch and a sloop. Now, if only there was some on-water experience for our Sail graduates.....please contact the Executive Committee if anyone has any ideas about how we might arrange that.

Cruise Planning (CP) – This class is in progress, led ably by Past Commander Maureen Samuels.

America's Boating Course (ABC) - Two public ABC classes are scheduled following the Boat Show.

Monday February 1st. Harrods Creek Fire Department, Hwy 42, Prospect. Class lasts 5 Weeks.

Wednesday March 24th. Harrods Creek Fire Department, Hwy 42, Prospect. Class lasts 5 Weeks.

The Public Boating team, led by our Commander David Robertson, always welcomes volunteers. LSPS members welcome our fellow boaters who are interested in becoming better educated in boat safety. The first week additional helpers can always be used for registration. And test night on the fourth week is also rather labor intensive with grading tests, handing out completion certificates and signing up new members. Come on out and join us. I gar-un-tee you will enjoy it.

Instructor Development (ID) – This is the class where you can begin to give back some of the education you have received from LSPS. The class covers instructional techniques and methods. Class begins Tuesday February 9th. Location will be determined depending on class size.

Piloting (P) – Piloting is the USPS course that first teaches the skills necessary to find your way around on the water. You know that many of us have an aversion to asking for directions while in a car. I have been told it is a 'guy' thing. I only know for a fact that a friend of mine traveled over 150 miles out of his way while listening to the directions on his new GPS because he didn't know exactly how it worked and wouldn't stop as his wife suggested..... but I digress, that is another whole story. The point is that on the water, there are seldom any people to ask for directions, EVEN IF WE WOULD!!! Learn how to know where you are and where you are going on the water. The class begins on Wednesday February 10th. David Roberson and I are going to teach.

Leadership Development – Leadership Development is a separate module of Operations Training. Lee Harris taught the class last year and reports that the following members, successfully completed the Leadership Development portion of the course. Allen Gailor, Faye Kugele, Glenn Kugele, Walter Martin, David Robertson, Alan Roles, Larry Samuels, and Maureen Samuels. Congratulations. "Boating is fun, we'll show you how!" And yes, this is your chance to become one of those cheerful instructors, sign up for ID.

See You Around the Bend

HAPPY, HAPPY, BIRTHDAY!!!

Whitley H. Courtenay 7-Feb
Martha L. Hettinger 8-Feb
Kyle Fisher 12-Feb
Claudia Schindler..... 14-Feb
Wallace Lyle Past..... 15-Feb
Doug E. Ratterman..... 17-Feb
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Sunday - Gone Cruisin' on the FAMILY JEWEL

Shore Is Good Seafood Dip

Recipe courtesy Paula Deen

Prep Time: 20 min

Cook Time: 35 min

Serves: 4 cups

Ingredients

- 2 tablespoons butter
- 1 medium green bell pepper, diced
- 1 medium onion, diced
- 2 stalks celery, diced
- 1/2 of a 10 3/4-ounce can cream of shrimp soup (discard top half and use bottom part of soup)
- 1 cup mayonnaise
- 1/2 pound freshly grated Parmesan
- 1 (6-ounce) can crabmeat, picked free of any broken shells, drained
- 6 ounces shrimp, fresh or canned, drained
- 1/2 teaspoon white pepper

Directions

Preheat oven to 325 degrees F.

Melt the butter in a skillet over medium heat. Add the bell pepper, onion, and celery and sauté for 2 minutes. In a bowl, combine the soup, mayonnaise, Parmesan, crabmeat, shrimp, and pepper. Stir the sautéed vegetables into the seafood mixture and spoon this mixture into a lightly greased 8 by 11-inch casserole dish. Bake for 30 minutes. Serve with toast points or crackers.



GETTING TO KNOW YOU . . .

By Janice Weller S

David and Treasia Robertson

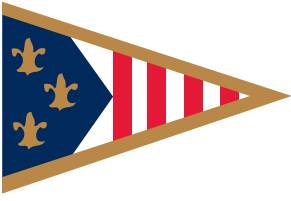
We all know Dave as our current LSPS Commander but, did you know Dave has been a member of LSPS since taking the public boating course in 1995? Since then he has taken every class except Navigation. Dave has served LSPS in many ways. He has been the Seamanship instructor, public boating course chairman, Treasurer, Secretary, and will be the Administrative Officer next year. Dave and Treasia also host the June rendezvous each summer at Tartan's Landing Marina.

Dave started boating in the 70's with a wooden day cruiser. Since then he has had a 1989 Carver 23' mid-cabin cruiser and currently owns a 1967 Sun Liner houseboat that is all steel and was made by Jeff Boat. Dave and Treasia also own a 1987 Chris Craft 32' Amerosport, named Mine, Mine, Mine. They enjoy boating up and down in the McAlpine pool or spending time at one of the islands along the Ohio. The farthest they have traveled in their boat is to Smuggler's Cove.

Dave and Treasia married October 2000 in Gatlinburg. Dave is retired from Arkema where he worked for almost 34 years. Treasia is a floor supervisor at the Hazelwood Center where she has worked for 22 years. Between the two of them, they have 5 children and 7 grandchildren ages 2-17.

Dave and Treasia learned an important lesson about anchoring and watching the other boats around them when they took their Carver for a test cruise to Thunder in 1995. The Robertson's were successfully anchored by the Big 4 Bridge and thought they were out of harms way. When...a houseboat came too close and ran over their anchor line. Luckily the line was not cut and after some terrifying minutes they were able to finally pull up a bent anchor and move to a safer spot. An important boating lesson learned: Stay alert and be ready for anything.

Thank you Dave and Treasia for your dedication to LSPS.



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