



The Newswheel

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From the commander – Faye Kugele

I can't believe the year is flying by so quickly. We are getting the boat winterized and ready for the cold weather and snow... that could be right around the corner.

I hope that you are ready for the holidays and making your new year's resolutions. It is a good time for each of us to stop and think about how blessed we are and to make a list of all the things that we are thankful for.

Next we should think about whether we have been a positive influence on those around us and have we made the most of opportunities that we have been given.

Then, and only then, are we ready to identify areas where we can grow, learn, improve, teach, mentor, and share ourselves with others.

I wish you each a very Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year. After all... boating season is right around the corner!

Remember to check out the USPS member site (www.USPS.org) for up-to-date discounts.

Special Announcement:

USPS's Educational Department recently launched a new social media campaign on USPS's Facebook page. It's intended to expand USPS's reach within the boater community, help viewers find out about the quality and value of USPS expertise and educational products and services. It will also allow us to promote, grow, and celebrate our squadron's educational activities.

I'm asking for your support. Please help us by liking USPS's Facebook page. Here is the URL: <https://www.facebook.com/uspowersquadrons>. There will be a variety of posts — USPS educational content, quizzes, how-to videos, and posts that help viewers find local courses in the classroom and on the water.

See you at the next dinner meeting!

Commander Faye

2016 Special Events!
Save the dates:

*January 7, 2016 – Dinner meeting (Menu: Salad, fried fish, baked chicken, au gratin potatoes, carrots, desserts)
Speaker TBD (Come cast your vote of support for the new Bridge and Executive Committee members – also a special announcement – great news!)*

*February 4, 2016 – Dinner meeting (Menu: Salad, Hot Brown, corn beef and cabbage, mashed potatoes and gravy, desserts)
Speaker: Jack Banister – USPS Founder's Day*

March 19, 2016 – Change of Watch Banquet

Do a little or do a lot...If you want to help we have a spot! If interested, contact Faye Kugele at 502-594-9155.

Squadron Education News: by Larry Samuels

The Education Department is looking for a volunteer to oversee the class scheduling and documentation.

Two members are currently taking the Navigation class. They are Dale Bletso and Tom Christensen. The class requires additional sextant observations of the moon, stars, and planets. The open book examination required advanced knowledge of Celestial Navigation and the plotting skills developed in previously completed courses.

Boat Show Volunteers Needed!

Folks, although it is just starting to feel like Fall the Boat Show will be coming up before we know it. This year our Squadron is taking a fresh look at our exhibit to increase the interactive teaching opportunities. We will have three areas of focus: the fire extinguisher demo, a knot tying bench and the virtual boating trainer that we introduced last year.

To make this a success we will need three folks manning the exhibit, especially during the high traffic times. We will need volunteers to sign up for each area. This will be an exciting opportunity to convey education can be fun.

We will have signup sheets at the upcoming January 7th meeting, and we plan to have a short discussion meeting for all volunteers prior to the show. Of course you can also contact Charlie at fc124799@att.net at any time to sign-up or get additional information.

Mark your calendar now for the annual National Boat Show

January 27 – 31, 2016

Remember volunteers get free entrance to the show – so sign up!

See you there!

Executive Officer, Charlie Cox

2016 -2017 LSPS Officers and Executive Committee

The slate of officers for the upcoming year will be voted on at the January 7th dinner meeting. The officers who have volunteered to remaining in their current position for the upcoming year are:

- Faye Kugele as Commander
- Charlie Cox as Executive Officer
- David Robertson as Secretary

They both agreed to continue in their current role to give the nominating committee an extra year to recruit new volunteers.

The members who are being nominated for the upcoming year are

- Maureen Samuels as Treasurer
- Glenn Kugele as Assistant Treasurer

The squadron is still in need of an Administrative Officer and an Education Officer. If you are interested in one of these positions, please contact Faye Kugele, Ed Ice or Brenda Fisher as soon as possible.

From Administrative Officer – Margie Binzer

Our November speaker was Ali Greenwell from the Parklands at Floyds Fork. She gave us a wonderful overview of the progress that has been made to the series of parks and streams in the Louisville Metro area. Just recently opened is the 800-acre Turkey Run Park that offers an outdoor lover's paradise. Opening in Spring of 2016, the Strand will connect the parks and allow you to walk or ride the Louisville Loop, or paddle Floyds Fork. Also Broad Run Park will offer 600-acres of scenic views, waterfalls, and traditional amenities like a playground and sprayground. The currently available parks consist of:

Beckley Creek Park - where the possibilities are as wide open as the Egg Lawn. From fishing lakes and trails, to the education center, picnic pavilions and the popular Marshall Playground and Sprayground — this park is just what you need to get the family together.

Pope Lick Park, where you can stroll along beautiful Trestle Point, hike through the Big Beech Woods, or get competitive on the sports fields.

We are very blessed to have these grounds set aside for green space and recreational resources that are available to everyone. If you haven't visited the area, then do it today!

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Let's Celebrate:

Congratulations to Jesse Turley who received his 25-year member certificate and pin at the November dinner meeting! Thanks to your committed support over the past 25 years!!!!

Congratulations to new members who received their USPS education certificate and pin:

- Chris Adams
- Christine Taylor
- Ronald MacPhee
- Janet MacPhee

And Welcome back to Roy Mattingly who has reinstated his membership!



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