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Commander's Report



Well as we know, Ground Hog Day was the 2nd of February and Punxsutawney Phil did not see his shadow this year. So what does that mean? We know it as a prediction of an early spring forecast. With that comes the task of Spring cleaning. (Yuck)

Two things come to my mind:

One is, that it would be a great time to go through all of our things and DONATE the unused and not needed to The Grand Lake Sail and Power Squadron YARD SALE. The results are, we raise money for the Squadron and get rid of the clutter around the house.

Two, Our Education Department are spring cleaning also. They're dusting off the books, arranging for instructors and setting dates for our classes. Early Spring is a great time to come out and join us in learning something new about boating, weather, or whatever class may suit your interest. Our Wonderful Squadron Education Officer (SEO) and her staff and instructors are here for you. Check out the class schedule and sign up today. As it is said, "Come for the Boating Education...Stay for the Friends".

On a personal note...My goals are, Membership, Education, and Fun. Together WE can make this happen. Thank You all for the Support.

Scott Cox, P

Commander, Grand Lake Sail and Power Squadron



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

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



District 30 Spring Conference

Apr. 15-16 2016

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District 30 Spring Conference

April 15-16, 2016

Osage Beach Missouri

Inn at Grand Glaize, 5142 Highway 54, Osage Beach Missouri



District 30 has a block of 20 rooms. To make reservations please **phone: 800-348-4731**. Please use the code **PS16**. Rooms are \$70.00/night plus taxes (currently 3% lodging tax and 7.475% sales tax). **DEAD-LINE to make your reservations is March 16, 2016**. Lakeview rooms are available at no extra cost but you must request *lakeview*.

Microwaves and refrigerators are available by request and do cost extra.

Friday, April 15, 2016

Registration and hospitality begin at 1700 in the Horseshoe Bend Board Room on the 3rd floor. Dinner is on your own. There are many good places to eat at the Lake but the Inn has an on-site restaurant **J.D. Waddles**



Saturday Lunch, April 16, 2016 from 1200 to 1300

Chicken Sandwich- Sliced Roasted Chicken Breast with Bacon, Tomato, Lettuce, Swiss Cheese on a Flaky Croissant, Potato Chips \$15.00

Club Sandwich on a Croissant- Sliced Ham, Smoked Turkey, Bacon, Lettuce, and Tomato, Potato Chips \$15.00

Iced Tea and coffee are included Tax and gratuity included

SATURDAY AFTERNOON BETWEEN 1300 AND 1800 YOU ARE ON YOUR OWN

Lake of the Ozarks has many attractions:

Bridal Cave Pirates Cove Adventure Golf

Ha Ha Tonka State Park Osage Beach Premium Outlet Mall

If you wish to cruise the lake I suggest booking passage with **Tropic Island Cruises** departing from Tantar-A Resort Saturday 1500 to 1630. Adults \$20, Age 4-12 \$10, children under 3 FREE. For more information call 573-348-0083 or www.tropicislandcruises.com

For additional information about places and things to do at the lake: <http://www.funlake.com/>



Saturday dinner, April 16, 2016 1800-2200
Dinner and
St. Louis Sail and Power Squadron
Change of Watch



Chicken Oscar –Sautéed in white wine, lemon with lump crab and asparagus topped with béarnaise sauce, choice of soup or salad, potato or vegetable, dessert \$39.00

Northern Walleye – Encrusted in Dijon mustard and bread crumbs served with drawn butter, choice of soup or salad, potato or vegetable, dessert. \$39.00

Prime Rib – Seasoned Prime Rib roast served traditional, charbroiled or blackened, choice of soup or salad, potato or vegetable, dessert. \$45.00

Filet Mignon – Beef tenderloin charbroiled to perfection then topped with maître d’ butter, choice of soup or salad, potato or vegetable, dessert. \$48.00

Tax and gratuity included Iced Tea and coffee included

Dessert provided by St. Louis Sail and Power Squadron

Cash bar at 1800 Dinner at 1900

Please send your meal reservations to: Doug Warden, 3272 Saddleridge Dr., St. Charles MO 63301

Name _____ Address _____

Phone: _____ Email _____

TOTAL

Saturday Lunch: Chicken Sandwich _____ @ 15.00 _____

Club Sandwich _____ @ 15.00 _____

Saturday Dinner: Chicken Oscar _____ @ 39.00 _____

Northern Walleye _____ @ 39.00 _____

Prime Rib _____ @ 45.00 _____

Filet Mignon _____ @ 48.00 _____

TOTAL DUE _____

Please make checks payable to: St. Louis Sail and Power Squadron

DEADLINE FOR MEAL RESERVATIONS—APRIL 1, 2016





GARAGE SALE NEWS



CALL FOR ACTION !!!!!

The GLSPS is planning a fundraising Garage Sale for 2016. Our hope is to “tag” our sale into the Grove City Wide sale to be held in May. An exact date has not yet been set by the City. We **MUST HAVE** a location within city limits to be part of the city wide sale.

This is a call for action to all members. In order for this fundraiser to be a success, **WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!** The following things are being asked for at this time.

- ◆ **Committee members and planners.** Contact Sharon Dennis sedenis58@msn.com or 303-475-5985
- ◆ A **LOCATION** inside of Grove City Limits. While we have previously held the sale at the Miller’s they have asked to be considered as a backup location this year instead of a primary location.
- ◆ Things to **SELL, SELL, SELL!!!!** Start NOW to collect your sellable items. It’s only February, but you can start your **SPRING CLEANING** now!!!!

The Garage Sale Committee will hold an initial planning meeting on Tuesday March 1st at the GLA building at 2:00 p.m.



Committee members will help with the organization of items for sale, assist with signage and publicity, enjoy social gatherings for planning, and recruit other members to assist with the sale itself. Don’t miss your chance to be part of the gang!!



STORAGE UNIT CLEANUP

Written by Bruce Watson,S



On Friday 19 Feb we ganged up and sorted through our squadron's storage unit. First was emptying the unit. We then swept and sprayed for bugs (spiders mainly). Virtually every box, tote, tub and item was gone through. Finally we reloaded the unit with current and useful items, organizing according to purpose along the way. We had a full pickup truck to go to the dump (special shout out to the Moore's). We have another pickup load we are holding for the yard sale still clogging up the middle of the storage unit but all that will soon be gone and we will be able to find and access our many items needed for education, shows, the COW, etc. We all know that tasks such as this are typically put off and unpleasant to address, however, when doing it with squadron teamwork it becomes yet another fun event.

BEFORE



AFTER



Thanks to (L-R) Bruce Watson, Ken Moore, MaryAnn Stout, Mary Alice Moore, Chuck Brandt, Ed Dennis, Larry Stout, Marcia Pett, and Lynda Watson, not pictured, Sharon Dennis, Carole Chalupnik, Susie Holden. **JOB WELL DONE!**





Carol Goodwin, S 918-786-6660

Burgees and Dock flags ...We have dock flags and burgees on sale for \$20.00. The dock flags are designed to hang on your dock or deck. It alerts people where they can reach power squadron member on the lake. Burgees are to be used on your boats. We have some really cute burgee lapel pins for \$5.00. I have a pair of USPS earrings for \$20.00.

GLSPS license tags are available for only \$10.

Lt Carol Goodwin S is planning to bring a basket of these items to dinner meetings, so bring lots of cash. If you just can't wait, just call Carol so she can reserve those items and get them to you. Carol can be reached at (918) 786-6660 Email bocago@hotmail.com

Name Tags <http://www.Universallimages.biz/> 918-786-9554 \$8.50

1500 S. Main, Grove, OK 74344

Grand Lake Chart Maps \$15 at the Grand Lake Visitor's Center



March

Marcia Pett	2nd	Harold Short	24th
Toma Ford	3rd	Jay Spicer	25th
Bob Russell	20th	Roger Endo	26th
Janet Sloan	21st	Mary Mandeville	30th
Ann Rooney	22nd		

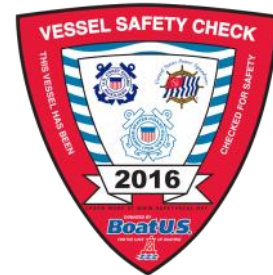




A Vessel Safety Check training was taught by Jay Spicer on Feb. 23rd. We had a lot of interest. Thanks Jay for all your help.



VSC
Training



Mentoring Program Begins



Become a Mentor!

We hope to have several people/couples join the squadron after completing ABC course in late March. As a Mentor, you would be matched with a new member/couple when they join. You would:

- Personally invite your new members to meetings and activities
- Get to know them and their interests
- Assist them with directions if new to the area
- Introduce them to others at the meetings and activities
- Be a resource

New members have told us they feel left out and ignored out at dinner meetings and events. That makes them hesitant to get involved. Let's be sure our new members feel welcome!!

Contact Lynda Watson, Membership Committee
913-209-4595 or lwatson626@gmail.com





Our monthly dinner meeting was held on Thursday, February 18th at the American Grill in Grove. Dr. Larry Stout, PC current chairman of the Grove Downtown Revitalization Committee was our speaker. He gave our group an overview of projects including past and current progress of the committee. It was a fun evening which also included social hour, dinner, and knot tying practice provided by our membership committee.



HELP NEEDED AT OLA



The Grand Lake Association (GLA) and the Grand Lake Sail & Power Squadron (GLSPS) - what is our relationship? GLA's role is to promote the Grand Lake tourism industry. Businesses pay the GLA to advertise their goods, attractions, and services. The GLA does this by maintaining the Visitor's Center on N. 59 Hwy in Grove, by publishing an annual Visitor's Guide, by providing an area for display of informational material that visitors can take with them, and by sponsoring/promoting various community events, e.g. Pelican Fest. ***Because Power Squadron members volunteer to staff the Visitor's Center in the summer we don't have to pay for the GLA's services. In addition, GLSPS gets to use the Visitors' Center meeting rooms for our classes, E-Board meetings, and other GLSPS committee meetings. (If you have tried to find a place to hold a meeting in Grove, you'll understand why this is a major perk.)***

Bottom line- volunteering to help visitors discover the Grand Lake area is beneficial to Lake businesses, beneficial to the Squadron, and can be personally gratifying as well! We have 20 days to staff beginning Memorial Day weekend. We have 7 slots filled at this point. So as your summer plans unfold, call or email Mary Alice Moore at mamoore_52@yahoo.com or 405-640-4390 to see if there is a slot you can fill.



Do You Know?

By P/D/C Larry Stout SN-IN



Article 1

When adding an electrical device to your boat be sure that the stranded wire from the device is fitted with a properly- sized terminal lug to make the connection to the power source. Stranded wire itself is not suitable for securing wire to a screw or bolt. Terminal lugs are available for crimping or soldering. If crimped or pressure-bolted connections are not made with a ratcheting type crimp tool, the wires should be soldered at the wire terminal to provide a better joint. Never use twist-on connectors (wire nuts) to avoid corrosion and loosening due to vibration on boats. When soldering always use rosin-core solder to avoid corrosion.

Article 2

Newer VHF radios can be purchased with a feature called Digital Selective Calling (DSC). The primary goals of the Digital Selective Calling system are to improve the reception and identification of distress calls and to eliminate hoax distress calls. The minimum standard DSC transceiver provides automatic transmission of distress messages, complete with the identification and the position of the calling vessel. Depending on the type of boating you do but especially coastal boating or off-shore, a VHF radio with DSC may be the radio of choice.

Article 3

Buying a boat requires several questions to be answered such as what type and style will best serve your planned use of the boat. Will you be on larger lakes like Grand Lake, smaller lakes or rivers? Some boats are designed for more protected waters. How many people do you plan to take on your boat? Smaller boats have capacity and weight limits. Larger boats are often yacht certified allowing more capacity.

Other factors that should be considered other than the initial expense are operational, maintenance and storage expenses. These will all vary as to type of boat you have chosen to enjoy.



UPCOMING EVENTS

DATE	Event	Time	Location
March 2016			
3/?	ABC3 Course	TBD	TBD
3/10	Booth Setup	1500-1900	Civic Center
3/11	Grove Boat Show	1200-1700	Civic Center
3/11	Grove Boat Show VIP Night	1800-2100	Civic Center
3/12	Grove Boat Show	900-1900	Civic Center
3/13	Grove Boat Show	1000-1500	Civic Center
3/13	Booth Teardown	1500-1600	Civic Center
3/15	E-Board Meeting	000-1200	GLA
3/17	Dinner Meeting	1800	TBD
April 2016			
4/19	E-Board Meeting	1000-1200	GLA
4/21	Dinner Meeting	1800	TBD
4/22	Earth Day	TBD	GPS
May 2016			
5/?	Safe Boating Week Proclamation	1800	Rm. 5, Grove Comm. Center
5/?	Safe Boating Week	---	---
5/?	Safe Boating Week Kickoff	TBD	TBD
TBD	Lake Launch	TBD	GRDA ECO Center
5/17	E-Board Meeting	1000-1200	GLA
5/19	Dinner Meeting	1800	TBD

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.

Debbie

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