

Spring 2014

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Fall Conference

Patricia Lynch, RD, CDN, a dietitian in Functional Medicine led the "Mates" through a very thorough discussion of the positive and negative effects of foods on our bodies.

Captain Karl of the Springfield Squadron gave us a great talk on his stormy cruise from Bermuda to Newport. Right: owner George Patrick at the helm with a large swell behind.



Sounds of 1, Spring, 2014 Spring Conference Issue

From the Helm: D/C George M. Gilbert, AP

The first sign of spring has come and gone with the conclusion of the USPS Annual Meeting in Jacksonville, FL. Temperatures there struggled to get out of the 40's during our stay. The New Haven squadron, the only squadron in all USPS to have achieved the impressive status of reaching 100 years of existence, was represented by six of its members. New Haven squadron Commander Donna Farrucci was "piped aboard" in special recognition witnessed by 773 members who were in attendance at the USPS Annual Meeting. I was honored to represent District 1 in the "Parade of Flags" that turned out to be a very impressive ceremony. Stanley Klein, SN, received the National Chapman Award. Commander Donna Ferrucci and P/C Richard Hackley invited all in attendance to the New Haven 100th Anniversary Celebrations in New Haven (see page 6). New Haven member Nancy Miller received her "Life Membership". We had the honor of voting P/D/C Elaine Williams, AP in as a member of the National Planning Committee. I received a Member Increase and Retention award presented from National for the Westerly squadron. Congratulations Westerly! President Barack Obama even sent a letter to C/C John Alter, SN from the White House congratulating USPS for reaching 100 years of existence.

Yes, I am honored to be your District Commander and to be working with such a fine group of people who are recognized as being dedicated to saving lives and reducing injuries by making boating safer.

The Saturday following the Annual Meeting, Cdr Ken Bell organized and put on an Operation Training program. The District 1 Bridge is a strong believer in this training program. Please consider taking this class the next time it is offered. In the mean time there are benefits in reading the USPS Operations Manual and Job Descriptions to better define what our job responsibilities are.

We are putting together the final preparations for our Spring District 1 Conference. Please mark the date and plan on attending. The details are on pages 3-5. D1 will be honored with the presence of the Chief Commander himself, newly elected C/C Robert Baldridge, SN and his wife Nancy. They will be traveling all the way from Baton Rouge, Louisiana to visit District 1, so let's pull out all the stops and give them an old fashioned New England welcome.



D/C George Gilbert, Cdr Paul Bialecki of the New Britain Power Squadron and Jon Emerson of the Hartford Power Squadron helped staff the booth at the Hartford Boat Show in January.

I thank you all for your dedication to boating safety, your volunteerism, your support of District 1 and for the benefits you provide to our communities.

Executive Officer-D/Lt/C Arthur Andrea, AP

We were pleased to have 20 members from District 1 attend the Annual Meeting in Jacksonville, Florida. This year's meeting featured our own New Haven Power Squadron which was honored for being the only squadron in continuous existence for 100 years.

The National Executive Officer has recommended that the Marketing and Public Relations Committee be dissolved and the Marketing Committee and the Public Relations Committees be established, both reporting to the Executive Department.

This year's Safe Boating week will be May 17th to May 23th, 2014. The new VSC stickers are out and should be shipped to the squadron VSC chairs soon. The 2014 Fall Governing Board will be held from 7 to 15 of September, 2014 at Hyatt Regency in Crystal City, Arlington, Virginia.

If anyone would like a CD of the pictures that were taken in Jacksonville please contact me.

CALL AND AGENDA FOR 2014 SPRING CONFERENCE

DATE: Saturday, 22 March, 2014 **HOST**: Manchester Power Squadron

TIME: 0900

PLACE: Manchester Country Club, Manchester, CT (see directions on page 4)

DRESS: Uniform F or other appropriate attire

Schedule:

0915

0800 Registration. Ships Store, Coffee, Raffle Tickets, Insignia Swap. Bring your "no longer needed" insignia, flags,

uniforms, etc. and give them to the "swap". Need something! It's free.

0900 Call to Order: D/C George M. Gilbert, AP

Presentation of Colors/Pledge of Allegiance D/Lt Ken Bell, Sr., AP

Invocation: D/Lt Paul Bialecki, P, Chaplain
Introduction of Past District Commanders in attendance P/D/C Herb Greenbacker, SN
Introductions of Guests and Head Table D/C George M. Gilbert, AP

Welcome to Conference Cdr Joyce C. Bonney, S, Manchester Power Squadron

Conference Roll Call: D/Lt/C Linda L. Lewis, AP

Message from the Chief Commander C/C Robert Baldridge, SN

1000 **Program** The Charles W. Morgan today and the Steve Purdy from Mystic Seaport

importance of the Whaling Industry during the Industrial Revolution.

1015 **Mates Program,** visit to Cheney Homestead see Page 4

1130 Attitude Adjustment

1200 **Luncheon**--See page 4 for menu and reservations.

* Awards presentation by D/C George M. Gilbert, AP and C/C Robert Baldridge, SN

* Raffle-Nautical Plus-Donations to the raffle are welcome

1400 **Departmental Workshops** (for Officers indicated, and others interested)

Commander's Breakout/Summer Activities D/Lt/C Arthur Andrea, AP

D/Lt/C Charles L. Marino, P

Education Officer Workshop D/Lt/C Anthony Salzarulo, JN

VSE Workshop P/D/C Pat Pabouet, P

1500 **Reconvene the Conference** – Business Meeting

Action on the minutes of the 16 November, 2013 Fall Conference

Reports of the District Officers

District Commander

D/C George M. Gilbert, AP

Executive Officer

D/Lt/C Arthur Andrea, AP

Educational Officer

D/Lt/C Anthony Salzarulo, JN

Administrative Officer

D/Lt/C Charles L. Marino, P

Secretary

D/Lt/C Linda L. Lewis, AP

Treasurer

D/Lt/C Clifford W. McKibbin, SN

Reports of the General and Standing Committees:

Audit Lt/C Robert E. Borden, P
Nominating P/D/Lt/C George D. Gwizd, JN
Rules P/R/C Ralph L. Borriello, AP
Planning P/C William Bonney, AP
Law D/Lt/C Anthony Salzarulo, JN

Unfinished Business

New Business

Nominating Committee Report P/D/Lt/C George D. Gwizd, JN
Election of Officers and Committee Members C/C Robert Baldridge, SN
Change of Watch C/C Robert Baldridge, SN

Confirm the date and location for the 2014 Fall Conference, Host: Middletown Consideration of any other business that should come before this meeting

1630 **Benediction**

Chaplain D/Lt Paul Bialecki, P

Adjournment

By Order of the District Commander: George M. Gilbert, AP

Directions to the Manchester Country Club

From Hartford take I-84 east to junction with I-384. Take I-384 east to exit 3.

Take a left at the exit onto S. Main St. going South. The country club is at 305 S. Main Street on the left.

District Spring Conference Luncheon

The buffet menu will be chicken, beef, potato, veggie, salad, dessert and coffee, all this for \$26.00 per person. The cash bar will be open for the "Attitude Adjustment" and lunch.



Send your check for \$26.00 per person made out to "USPS D-1" by March 15th to: P/C Richard E. Eppler, P and Mary P. Eppler, P, 133 Tumblebrook Dr, Vernon, CT 06066-5014

\$28.00 will be charged for late comers and for walk-ins. Please try not to be a walk-in as this is extremely difficult on the banquet manager and staff. I must give a final count 3 days before the event.

Pre-Conference Dinner

6:00 pm Friday, March 21, 2014 Hartford Road Café, 378 Hartford Road, Manchester, Ct 860-646-1044 Please come and join us. This dinner is for all members and a great way to meet other members from other squadrons as well as your Chief Commander Robert Baldridge, SN and his wife Nancy. Please contact Joyce Bonney for reservations by March 14th, 860-742-0332 or jcbonney@sbcglobal.net.

Mates Program

The Mates Program will be a trip to the Cheney Homestead where we will enjoy a Private Guided Tour of the Cheney Homestead where the brothers who began the silk business were born and raised. View this 1785 house at 106 Hartford Road in Manchester and hear commentary about this interesting residence. A suggested donation is \$4 per person. If you would like to attend, please contact Joyce Bonney at 860-742-0332 or jebonney@sbcglobal.net. There is a space limit and I need to let them know approximately how many will be attending. We will be carpooling from the Manchester Country Club to the Cheney Homestead.



DISTRICT 1 NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Report of the District 1 Nominating Committee For the 2014-2015 one-year term

Commander	George M. Gilbert, AP	Middletown
Exec. Officer	Arthur Andrea, AP	New Haven
Educ. Officer	Anthony Salzarulo, JN	New London
Admin. Officer	Charles L. Marino, P	Waterbury
Secretary	Linda L. Lewis, AP	Norwich
Treasurer	Clifford W. McKibbin, SN	Hartford
Asst. Ed. Officer	Joyce Alonge, JN	Springfield
Asst. Secretary	Open	
Asst. Treasurer	Richard C. Carlson, SN	Hartford
Asst. Admin.	Charles F. Greenbacker, JN	Norwich

Rules Committee

2012-2015	John R. Robinson, AP	Saybrook
2013-2016	Patrick Pabouet, P	Hartford
2014-2017	Linda J. Miller, S	Waterbury

Audit Committee

2012-2015	Christine Casarella, AP	Meriden
2013-2016	Elaine L. Williams, AP	Saybrook
2014-2017	Douglas S. Burdett, SN	Waterbury

Planning Committee

2012-2015	Eugene J. Sullivan, JN	Middletown
2012-2015	Leslie W. Williams, Jr., JN	Saybrook
2013-2016	Sandra W. Pierog, SN	Manchester
2013-2016	M. Ellen Barbour, SN	New London
2014-2017	Ralph L. Borriello, AP	Meriden
2014-2017	Open	

Nominating Committee

2012-2015	George D. Gwizd, JN	Hartford
2013-2016	Herb 'Bud' Greenbacke	r, SNMeriden
2014-2017	Patrick Pabouet, P	Hartford

The Nominating Committee

P/D/Lt/C George D. Gwizd, JN, Chairman P/D/C Herb 'Bud' Greenbacker, SN

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If you will send it to the editor (see back page) we'll make sure your squadron secretary gets it. You will then be able to get all of the important communications we send out via email as well as an advanced copy of the *Sounds of 1*.

Summer Is Almost Here

These summer activities will be described in more detail in the Summer Sounds of 1, but in the meantime please put them on your calendar and make reservations as detailed below.

20-22 June D-1 June Rendezvous

See full details on the D-1 Rendezvous and New Haven 100th Celebration on page 6.

21 June D-1 Council,

See full details on page 6.

12 July D-1 Sail Race, Branford Yacht Club, Branford, CT. This is an official function of the ECSA, Eastern CT Sailing Association. You can sail in this race at a reduced rate even if you are not a member.

20 July D-1 Fishing Derby, D1 is invited to join Norwich Power Squadron for their 16th annual fishing tournament. The rain date is 27 July. For more information, please contact Gene Lewis at 860-442-4740 or eugenelew@charter.net.

8-10 August D-1 Mini Cruise, USCG, New London, CT. See full details on this exciting mini cruise to the U.S. Coast Guard Academy on page 7.

20 September D-1 Poker Run, Hamburg Cove Yacht Club



Boating is tough when you're blindfolded. Come and find out at the next Poker run. Bring the kids. They'll love it.

Join us for the 2014 June Rendezvous and Council and the 100th Anniversary Celebration of the Founding of the New Haven Power Squadron

Sailing to 100 - New Haven Centennial Celebration Planning

Ed: the New Haven Squadron is celebrating its 100th Anniversary in 2014 and the District is planning to join with them and host its June Rendezvous in New Haven on the same weekend. Details on all the events are given below. We hope all D-1 members will come out to celebrate this important anniversary event.

Friday, 20 June. Arrival by boat. Pequonnock Yacht Club, 100 South Water Street, New Haven, CT 06519, 203 238-8398. Or, you can visit their website at: http://www.pyc-nh.com/. For slips or moorings, contact Steve Mullen at: 203-376-3162 wever101@gmail.com. The price is \$3.00/foot and reciprocal privilege gets first night free. Dinghy dock, head and showers are available.

Friday evening, 20 June, we will have dinner at the site of the creation of the District Examining Board, the Union League Café, which today is an upscale restaurant featuring French cuisine. There we will enjoy a full course price fixed dinner, including dessert and wine, tax and gratuity for \$80 per person. To entertain our guests, we are putting together a reenactment of the examining board discussion... at least our version of what may have taken place. Everyone is encouraged to come dressed in period attire appropriate for 1914.

Saturday, 21 June. D-1 Council. Pequonnock Yacht Club. Light lunch will be available at 12:00 and the Council meeting will begin at 1:00. Following the council there will be a Commanders cocktail party.

Saturday, 21 June. We will have a four hour dinner cruise aboard the vessel Mystique, of the Lady Katherine Cruise Line. We will depart from the Long Wharf dock in New Haven Harbor at 1900 hours to a full course meal with Branford Harbor as our destination to watch the town's Fourth of July fireworks in high class style. The Mystique is a 120' multi-level cruise ship with an air conditioned fine wood and white linen interior and an open upper deck for unparalleled viewing. All the while the fifteen piece 2nd Company Governor's Foot Guard Dance Band will be playing their hearts out. The cost for this is \$90 per person.

Anyone wishing to attend both events will get a \$20 discount... that's \$150 per person for both, if paid by March 1, 2014. We do encourage people to book early, as seating is limited at each function. Please contact Commander Donna Ferrucci at d.ferrucci@snet.net, phone is 203-469-1772 or P/C Richard Hackley at hack1963@yahoo.com, 203-315-0135, for more information. Checks payable to NHPS may be mailed to Donna Ferrucci, 128 Morris Avenue, New Haven, CT 06512.



Cdr Donna Ferrucci, AP and P/C Richard Hackley, AP of the New Haven Squadron receive their new Burgee with its 100th anniversary piping from Chief's Rep R/C Kay Simkins, AP and D/C George Gilbert, AP at the fall conference.

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2014 Mini Cruise to the UNITED STATES COAST GUARD ACADEMY

Please plan to join District 1 for our Mini Cruise to the United States Coast Guard Academy, New London, 8-10 August 2014, celebrating the 100 years of Operation of the USPS and the New Haven Squadron.

Arriving by vehicle. There is plenty of parking. Come an enjoy the activities on Saturday.

Arriving by vessel. We will be provided thirty dock spaces, our hosts at the academy will provide anchorage and moorings as needed. **No charge**.

Friday 8 August: you're on your own for dinner.

Saturday 9 August: Tour the USCG Museum **No charge** at 10:00. Walk the grounds of this beautiful and historic site, cookout (please bring a dish to share) Commanders Cocktail Party to follow.



Sunday 10 August: We'll ask Commander Gilbert if

he'll make his famous Blueberry Pancakes, before we return to our Homes or Home-Ports.

Reservations need to be made as soon as possible. Being a Military Facility we all need to have photo ID (Driver's License or other State or Federal ID). 17 July is cutoff date for vessel reservation, but don't wait. Plan now, plan ahead, cancellations are always understandable, but space may be limited.

For members arriving by vessel, please provide me or George Gwizd with the following: Your name, vessel's name, type of vessel (sail or power) and size. And as we approach the date I'll also need the names of others onboard and your ETA. The Academy will determine where any certain vessel will be docked, anchored or moored and when. Sorry no first come first served.

It's been many years since our Squadrons have Cruised to the USCG Academy, how fitting for a Cruise there Celebrating our 100th Anniversary.

D/Lt/C Charles L. Marino, District Administrative Officer

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Past District Commander Dolores Loprinze, AP

Past District Commander Dolores Loprinze, AP passed away on 24 October, 2013. Dolores was the first female commander of District 1 serving from March, 1994 to March, 1996. She was commander of the New London Squadron in 1986-1987. Dolores and Pat Coley, SN, were among the first group of women in all of USPS to obtain their "Life" membership having achieved 25 Merit Marks.



Dolores at the podium at the 1996 spring conference.

Dolores and Pat Coley displaying their "Life" membership plaques at the 2007 Annual Meeting.



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