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What's Inside:

This is your newsletter with information and registration form for the Fall Conference in Clarksville, IN - 17—18 October.

Registration deadline is:

1 October 2014

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United States Power Squadrons

Commander's Report Cdr. David W. Robertson, JN

Hello Fellow members,

I hope this finds everyone having a great summer. The weather this summer has been unseasonal cool, and I'm not complaining at all. It has been a very busy summer for us as well. Treasia and I have really enjoyed the rendezvous' this summer. The weather for the D24 Summer Rendezvous was great. Speaking of the Summer Rendezvous I want to thank D/Lt/C Jeff Lagrew, SN and all of the Bluegrass Sail and Power Squadron mem-



bers for hosting such a great event. A special thanks to Lt/C Carol Woods, S (Oscar Award winner for Best Director) and the cast of "Cruising for Murder" aboard the "Mystery of the Seas". I had a wonderful time and I think everyone else did also. Also a very special thanks to everyone that attended, it's the members that make D24 great. Also on Saturday night that weekend we did a little farewell for Dick & Julie Remski, I wish them the very best as they head for Texas.

At the time I'm writing this, Treasia & I are preparing for the 2014 National Governing Board meeting in Arlington, VA. on September 7-14. We are excited about the trip; neither she nor I have ever been to Washington area. Of course the meetings will good and seeing old friends and making new is always good.



I'm very much looking forward to the 2014 D24 Fall Conference and Council, and getting to see everyone. I know the D24 Meetings Committee, Kathleen Miller Chair, & Susan Durstock (stepped up to replace Dick Remski) and many others have

worked quite lot on putting this together. Our Chief Commander's rep for the conference will be V/C Luis Ojeda, SN. As always I hope you will be make a special effort to join us for a wonderful time. It's not every year that we get to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the "United States Power Squadrons" as well as the 100th anniversary of the oldest operating Mississippi River – style steamboat in the world the "Belle of Louisville". The Friday night cruise is going to be a blast.

Safe and Happy Boating, D/C David Robertson, JN



Cast of "Cruising for Murder" from the Summer Rendezvous

SPECIAL NOTICE — CALL TO THE MEETING

In accordance with District 24 By-Laws Article 5; Section 5.4;5.4.2 and Section 5.5 this shall serve as the official notice that the **District 24 Fall Council and Conference** will be held at the Clarion Inn, Saturday, 18 October 2014 at 0830.

D/Lt/C Andrew Terry Prather, AP - Secretary

Commander's Representative

V/C Louie Ojeda, SN



National Administrative Officer for 2012, V/C Ojeda and his wife Dorothy (Dot) live in a small community in Southwest Georgia on the shores of Lake Seminole. They built their own home in steel out of habit of watching for hurricanes when they lived in Puerto Rico.

He joined the Ponce Power Squadron (D/33) in 1988. He served on the Squadron Bridge in various leadership positions becoming Commander in 1991. He then served on the District Bridge as Treasurer and became Commander in 1997. Throughout his squadron career he has taught

every course from Basic Boating to Junior Navigator and several electives. He has earned 22 merit marks at all levels of USPS.

At the National level he has been an aide to 5 Chief Commanders, served on the Governing Board, Planning, Membership, Meetings and Member Benefits as the Rear Commander. As the Chair of the Ad Hoc Vessel Safety Check committee, he organized and created the program from its inception ending as the Rear Commander of a successful program.

He joined the US Coast Guard Auxiliary in 1990 and served in several positions beginning as a Flotilla Commander, Division vice-Captain and eventually as the Chief of the VSC Technical Division as part of the National Staff. He was also a Vessel Examiner, a Qualification Examiner a Coxswain and holds an AUXOP designation having taken all the educational courses in the Auxiliary.

A Mechanical Engineer by profession from Penn State, he owned several companies in Puerto Rico in the steel construction and electrical supply and design. Louie served for four years in the US Air Force as a non commissioned officer and was on their rifle team.

He has also served on the Board of Directors of two private schools and the Ponce Yacht Club. He was the honorary Mayor of Coral Bay, St John USVI, because of his humanitarian effort after hurricanes Marilyn and Luis. Louie and Dot recently sold their sailboat after their move to Georgia but presently own a bass boat, a pontoon boat for their seven grandchildren and a twin engine ocean-going offshore fishing boat. Louie has raced sailboats since he was a teenager and has accumulated a large collection of trophies.

They have a blended family that includes four children and seven grandchildren. They are divided between Tampa and Birmingham. They drive over two thousand miles per month doing Squadron business and visiting grandchildren and enjoy many water sports with them.



Our D/24 Fall Conference will coincide with the 100th Anniversary party of the Belle of Louisville. For those living or visiting in the Louisville area, there will be boat rides and boat races available all week starting on Tuesday, October 14, 2014.

The D/24 Fall conference will begin on Friday, October 17. For our members who are interested in attending the conference and going on a boat ride, we will be attending the Belle of Louisville sight-seeing tour at 8 pm on October 17th. Boarding will begin at 7:15 pm and the boat ride is 8 – 10 pm.

There will be a cash bar and concessions on the boat. The boat ride is the Friday night activity.

And, if you are interested in attending this event, the number of group rate tickets are limited. Price per ticket is \$35.00. You need to get your tickets from Dave Hufnagle prior to departure. He will be at the registration area on Friday from 3:00pm to when the bus leaves. He has a limited number of Belle tickets available. If anyone needs tickets they need to email Dave or call him. (937-654-0047). drhufnagle@roadrunner.com

These will be sold on a first come, first served basis.

For a complete listing of all the available cruises during the Belle of Louisville's 100th Birthday Party, go to

www.festivalofriverboats.com



District Meeting Planning Committee. If you have questions. Please contact P/C Susan Durstock at sdurstock@twc.com.

Thank you and we hope you can join us.

District 24 Fall Council and Conference 2014 Schedule 17 - 19 October, 2014

Schedule is tentative – subject to change (please see registration packet)

Friday, 17 October

1500-1800	Registration	Hotel Lobby
1600-1800	Hospitality Room	A011-13

1845 Bus Departs for Belle of Louisville

Saturday, 18 October

 	800-0830	Registration	Outside Shakespeare Room
0	830-1200	Fall Council and Conference	Shakespeare Room
 1	200-1330	On-Site Lunch	Churchill Room
 1	330-1445	Re-convene Fall Conference	Shakespeare Room
 1 	500-1600	Squadron Cdr's Meeting Squadron Ed. Officers Meeting Sq. Admin. Officers Meeting	Shakespeare Room Shakespeare Room Hospitality Room
 1	600-1730	Hospitality Room	
 1 	800-1900	Reception	Shakespeare Room
 1 	900-2000	Dinner	Shakespeare Room
 2 	000-2030	Program	
 2 	130-2330	Hospitality Room	
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DISTRICT 24 UNITED STATES POWER SQUADRON FALL CONFERENCE REGISTRATION: 17 - 18 October 2014

D.D. = Designated Delegate; Put "S" in box for Squadron, "D" for District (\$72.00 conference fee paid is by D/24 or your local Squadron—includes lunch and banquet) RANK: NAME: _____GR. __Cert. #____D.D ADDRESS: STATE:___ZIP CODE _____ ____E-MAIL:_____ CITY: PHONE: Number Total Saturday Lunch Soup, Salad, Sandwich Buffet with Cookies ____ x \$25 = \$__ Saturday Dinner Buffet: Roasted Chicken, Salmon, Parsley New Potatoes, Vegetable Medley, Green Beans, Two Salads, and desserts _____ x \$47 = \$_____ Total of Meals = \$

Designated Delegate fee is \$72. This is paid by D/24 or your squadron.

Remember: DELEGATES MUST REGISTER WITH THIS FORM - include your certificate number on registration and check the D.D. Designated Delegate Box above if applicable. For special dietary requests contact Susan Durstock: sdurstock@twc.com.

PLEASE MAIL YOUR REGISTRATION TO ARRIVE BY: Wednesday, 1 October

Make check payable to: D/24 Fall Conference:

MAIL CHECK AND REGISTRATION FORM TO: P/DC David R. Hufnagle, JN

11 Lynn Rae Circle Centerville, Ohio 45458 Telephone: 937-433-3701 drhufnagle@roadrunner.com

Hotel Reservations

Clarion Hotel Louisville North (formerly Holiday Inn Lakeview)
Registration deadline is: <u>Friday, 19 September</u>
505 Marriott Drive
Clarksville, IN (812) 283-4411

Room Rate - \$74.95 per night + 11 % tax

Mention: D/24 Fall Conference for special room rate