

24th Bridge



District 24



Bluegrass



Cincinnati



Dayton



Evansville Bend



Hoosier



Louisville



Wabash Valley

What's Inside:

This is your newsletter with information and registration form for the Spring Conference

11—13 March

Clarion Hotel

Lexington, KY

Registration deadline is:

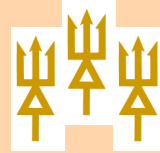
Hotel: 29 January

Conference: 29 February

Commander	D/C Maureen M. Samuels, JN
Executive Officer	D/Lt/C Jeffery F. Lagrew, SN
Educational Officer	D/Lt/C Kim Fisher, AP
Administrative Officer	D/Lt/C Andrew Terry Prather, AP
Secretary	D/Lt/C Dallas J. Farley, AP
Treasurer	D/Lt/C Gwen A Comer, P
Assistant Education Officer	D/1/Lt Susan Durstock, N

United States Power Squadrons

Commander's Report Cdr. Maureen Samuels, JN



Out the window, bits of snow swirl through the air. When will boating season be here? It seems so far away, but I am dreaming of lazy days on the river.

Sometimes it is good to dream, it gives us clues about what is important in our lives. Boating is important to me. Being on the water brings back childhood memories of cruising down the Ohio; it reminds me of taking my own children out on Lake Herrington. It reminds me of friends like you.



The Power Squadron is a good fit for me because I love boating, but not only that; I also had a neighbor that drowned (no life jacket). I have gotten to see both the fun and the tragic side of boating. I understand the importance of the Power Squadrons.

There is a lot to know about boating. I had the opportunity to attend a meeting with the Hoosier Squadron. Nancy and Bob Beall gave a presentation on Carbon Monoxide Poisoning on boats. Nancy made an excellent presentation. Unfortunately, their passion about this problem was also rooted in tragedy. They lost a long time friend to carbon monoxide.

There is always room to learn, and to share what we have learned with others.

Our Speaker, Past Chief Commander Ernie Marshburn, has made his life work dealing with boating safety education. Make sure you read his bio, it is very impressive. He is going to give us a presentation he gets paid to give all around the world.

Come to this District Conference in Lexington. I am sure you will learn a lot and you will have a good time. Many of you are within driving distance; it is ok to come just to hear Ernie's presentation on Saturday afternoon.

I am looking forward to seeing my friends at the Conference.

Cdr. Maureen Samuels, JN

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 Spring Council and Conference** will be held at the Clarion Hotel, Saturday, 11 March 2016 at 900.

D/Lt/C Dallas J. Farley, AP - Secretary

Reservation Deadline:

Hotel: Friday, 29 January 2016

and Conference: Friday, 29 February 2016



Chief's Commander's Representative

P/C/C Ernie Marshburn, SN



Ernie Marshburn, PhD served as Chief Commander of the United States Power Squadrons (USPS) in 2006 and 2007. During his tenure, USPS University was created as a public extension of the USPS educational curriculum with a goal of advancing boating education for non-members. He has completed all USPS boating education courses, is a senior sustaining member with 33 merit marks, and holds a US Coast Guard 50T Masters License.

He is the US Coast Guard and the Boy Scouts of America representative/liaison for USPS and in 2012 received an appointment to the National Boating Safety Advisory Committee (NBSAC). In 2015 Ernie was appointed as Chairman of the National Boating Safety Advisory Committee's - Strategic Planning Subcommittee. Ernie has also been very involved with the Boy Scouts and holds the rank of Distinguished Eagle Scout; a rank presented to fewer than 1,600 of the over 1.8 million Eagle Scouts in the United States.

Professionally, Ernie, has a PhD in Transport Geography through the Institute for Coastal Science and Policy at East Carolina University. His research interest is in Marine Transportation; an interest further leveraged by an extensive background in information technology including high performance, academic, and research computing. He is also a member of the Phi Kappa Phi and Sigma Xi honor societies in research.

Currently a faculty member at East Carolina University in the Department of Geography, Planning, and Environment, Ernie serves as the Director of Research Development reporting to the Vice Chancellor for Research, Economic Development, and Engagement. He is completing his 36th year of service with the State of North Carolina in these roles.



United States Power Squadron D/24 Spring Council and Conference

Welcome

Friday, 11 March 2016 - (2000—2130) Want to learn more about Kentucky's signature drink Kentucky Bourbon? Albert Young from Four Roses Distillery in Anderson County will be giving a presentation on the distilling of Kentucky Bourbon.



It began when Paul Jones, Jr., the founder of Four Roses Bourbon, became smitten by the beauty of a Southern belle. It is said that he sent a proposal to her, and she replied that if her answer were "Yes," she would wear a corsage of roses on her gown to the upcoming grand ball. Paul Jones waited for her answer excitedly on that night of the grand ball...when she arrived in her beautiful gown, she wore a corsage of four red roses. He later named his Bourbon "Four Roses" as a symbol of his devout passion for the lovely belle, a passion he thereafter transferred to making his beloved Four Roses Bourbon.

Learn more about Four Roses Distillery and products by going to:
<http://fourrosesbourbon.com/>



town.

Lunch is on your own at a local restaurant where reservations will be made for the guests who plan to have lunch. Information will also be available for shopping at Hamburg Center off I-75 a few miles east of the hotel exit.

Saturday, 12 March 2016 - 1900 - 2100
Banquet, Program, and Bluegrass Sail and Power Squadron Change of Watch.

Saturday, 12 March 2016 - The Saturday event for spouses and guests will be a shopping trip to Historic Midway Kentucky. Midway for many unique shops and an interesting history as a railroad

**District 24 Spring Council and Conference
And Change of Watch**

Clarion Hotel, 1950 Newtown Pike, Lexington, KY
11-13 March 2016

Friday, 11 March

1500-1800	Registration
1600-1800	Hospitality Room
1800-2000	Dinner on your own
2000-2130	Bourbon tasting

Saturday, 12 March

0730-0845	Cdr. Meeting, SEO Meeting
0800-0900	Registration
0900-1200	Spring Council and Conference
0900-1300	Spouse/Guest Activity
1200-1300	Lunch
1300-1400	Reconvene Fall Council and Conference
	Change of Watch
1410-1500	Special presentation by P/C/C Ernie Marshburn, SN
1500-1600	Breakout Sessions
1630-1730	Hospitality Room
1800-1900	Cocktails before banquet
1900-2100	Banquet, Program and Bluegrass Change of Watch
2130-2300	Hospitality Room

Sunday, 13 March No Sunday meeting

Uniform of the day: Friday USPS Polo

Uniform of the day: Saturday meeting, Uniform F or G (White Shirt either long or short sleeve and Black Pants) or other suitable attire

Evening, Blue Blazer and grey pants or other suitable attire, (jacket or suit and tie for the gentlemen, dress or slacks for the ladies)

**District 24 2016 Spring Council and Conference Schedule
Change of Watch
Clarion Hotel, 1950 Newton Pike, Lexington, KY
12 March 2016**

Saturday – 12 March 2016

0900 Convene 2016 Spring Council

Pledge of Allegiance	D/C Maureen Samuels, JN
Invocation	P/D/C David Robertson, JN
Squadron roll call & quorum	D/Lt Walter C. Martin, JN
Presentation of 2015 Fall Council/Conference minutes	D/Lt/C Dallas Farley, AP
Presentation of the 2016 Summer Rendezvous budget	D/Lt/C Dallas Farley, AP
Other Council Business (Old, New)	D/Lt/C Dallas Farley, AP D/C Maureen Samuels, JN

Adjourn 2016 Spring Council

D/C Maureen Samuels, JN

Convene 2016 Spring Conference

D/C Maureen Samuels, JN
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Introductions:

Committee reports	
Squadron Commanders reports	
Bridge member's reports	
C/C report	P/C/C Ernest Marshburn, SN
Awards	D/C Maureen Samuels, JN

1200-1300 Recess for Lunch

1300 D24 Change of Watch

Dismissal of 2014-2015 Bridge	D/C Maureen Samuels, JN
Retire Commanders Flag	P/Stf/C Larry Samuels, SN
Turn meeting over to C/C's Rep	P/C/C Ernest Marshburn, SN
Call for Nominating Committee Report	P/D/C Paul Durstock, SN
Installation of Officers	P/C/C Ernest Marshburn, SN

New D/C Takes Gavel

Posting New Commander's Flag	D/C Jeff Lagrew, SN
Introduce New Bridge	Lt Louise Lagrew, P
Ceremonial Activities	D/C Jeff Lagrew, SN
Approve Appointed Committees	D/C Jeff Lagrew, SN
Unfinished Business	D/C Jeff Lagrew, SN
New Business	D/C Jeff Lagrew, SN
Benediction	P/D/Lt/C Tom Woods, SN

1400 Adjourn Spring Conference

D/C Jeff Lagrew, SN

1410-1500 Presentation

P/C/C Ernest Marshburn, SN

1500-1600 Breakout sessions

**DISTRICT 24 - UNITED STATES POWER SQUADRON
 SPRING CONFERENCE REGISTRATION: 11 — 13 March 2016**

D.D. = Designated Delegate; Put "S" in box for Squadron, "D" for District
 (\$85.00 conference fee paid is by D/24 or your local Squadron—includes lunch and banquet)

RANK: _____ NAME: _____ GR. _____ Cert. # _____ D.D.

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ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE _____

PHONE: _____ E-MAIL: _____

Meals	Saturday Lunch \$30.00	Guest Lunch \$30.00	Saturday Banquet \$50.00	Conference Fee \$5.00 per person	Totals
Number					
\$\$ Amount					\$

Designated Delegate (\$85 conference fee paid by D/24 or local squadron—includes \$5 reg. fee)

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION TOTAL \$ _____

Please make checks payable to: **D/24 US Power Squadron** - Mail your check to:
 Send check to arrive by: 29 February 2016 Lt/C Beverly Merten
 117 Hickory Meadows Drive
 Richmond KY 40475-8941
 bjmerter@gmail.com

Hotel Reservations:

Clarion Hotel
Registration deadline is: Friday, 29 January 2016
1950 Newtown Pike
Lexington, KY 40511; (850) 233-0512 (www.clarionhotellx.com)
 Room Rate - \$89.00 per night + tax
 Mention: D/24 Spring Conference for special room rate

Note: Conference fee includes not only the actual meal costs but all of the hotel costs for meeting room rentals, room set-ups, hospitality, etc.