

# 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;

10 - 12 March, 2017

Registration deadline is:

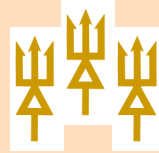
*Hotel: 10 February*

*Conference: 1 March*

Commander	D/C Jeffery F. Lagrew, SN
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Educational Officer	D/Lt/C Susan Durstock, N
Administrative Officer	D/Lt/C Dallas J. Farley, AP
Secretary	D/Lt/C Gwen A Comer, P
Treasurer	D/Lt/C Maureen Samuels, JN
Assistant Education Officer	D/1/Lt Clifford G. Hynniman, JN

**United States Power Squadrons**

## Commander's Report D/C Jeff Lagrew, SN



As I write this it is snowing outside, makes me want to be on a boat even more. It is time to start planning for just that and the big kick off for those of us in the Midwest is the annual D-24 Spring Conference and Change of Watch. Make your reservations now.

The national boating season gets a little earlier start February 22, to 26 in Orlando, Florida. Please join me at the USPS national meeting, there are great opportunities to learn more about our organization as well as more about boating, also, it is a lot warmer there. I invite you all to come by my room for some good ole D-24 hospitality bourbon on Friday night.

Again, I would like to thank you to the membership for entrusting me with the responsibility of being Commander of District 24 of the United States Power Squadron this past year. We have had several fun events on a District level, and I have been able to attend many of your squadron events as well. As I expressed at all the meetings I attended, our goal for the year is finding some new members. Our motto for 2016 was:

“Fun Boaters Arr US”.

Come for the Fun, stay and learn how to make boating more fun.

We have long been known as the organization where you learn about boating, and this year we were an organization that went boating. Special thanks to Susan Durstock for setting up that fun ride on the Ohio River. I was able to join other USPS members for the Cincinnati Paddle Fest. I highly recommend everyone give this a try next year. I was also able to attend the national USPS meeting in Pittsburg. Louise and I along with 14 other squadron members spent a great week on the Erie Canal. What an engineering marvel and a neat place to visit. I am leading a group of new and existing squadron members to St Marteen in January, and we are taking another boat load of USPS members to Cuba in March. Stuff is happening. These are all opportunities I would not have had except for USPS. When thinking of all the fun you have had boating, think about sharing the experience. There are thousands of boat owners and folks who would love to own or just take a boat ride in

Indiana, Kentucky and Ohio. You know one of them so give them a call about joining you at one of your events.

As I always say good things don't just happen, good people make them happen. Please join me in thanking Terry Prather, Susan Durstock, Dallas Farley, Gwen Comer and Maureen Samuels for serving on the D-24 Bridge and for a job well done. I also want to make a special thanks to Paul Durstock and Dave Robertson for serving as my Flag Lieutenants and giving invaluable advice to a lost puppy(me). And thank you to our unsung hero Ron Eberhart who is behind the scene making things happen, and Tom Woods who secretly does my job for me.

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Speaking of fun events, the Spring Conference is just around the bend and Terry and crew are going to make this a fun one. I am not sure exactly the relationship of boating and fire engines, you will have to come to the conference and find out. Please join me in welcoming in our new Commander Terry and his bridge. Things look exciting, I hope everyone will participate and bring a friend.

We are always looking for new ideas. If any one of you has a boating activity you would like to share, or an adventure you have wanted to try but needed some help, please let me know. It is great fun to try new things on the water and even more fun to do it with a group of friends. Again, I am asking each of you to bring one person you know who boats, or may like to boat, but is not a member to one of our activities. As always, more members = more fun.

Remember, Safe Boating is No Accident. See you at our Spring Conference.

### ***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 Meeting** will be held on 11 March, 2017, Fort Harrison State Park Inn, 0900.

**D/Lt/C Gwen A. Comer, P - Secretary**

**District 24**  
**Slate of Nominees**  
**Watch-Year 2017-2018**

The District 24 Nominating Committee, in accordance with the provisions of the Bylaws of District 24, Article 2, Section 2.1.2, Section 2.9.1, Article 5, Section 5.6, and Article 6, Section 6.3 recommend the following list of nominees for election to the District 24 Bridge and to the Elected Committees for the coming Watch Year 2017 – 2018.

District Commander:	Andrew Terry Prather, AP	Hoosier
District Executive Officer:	Dallas J. Farley, AP	Cincinnati
District Educational Officer:	Susan Durstock, N	Cincinnati
District Administrative Officer:	Thomas E. Davidson, JN	Dayton
District Secretary:	Gwen A. Comer, P	Hoosier
District Treasurer:	Maureen M. Samuels, JN	Louisville
District Asst/DEO:	Clifford G. Hynniman, JN	Bluegrass

**Nominating Committee**

Chairman:	One Year	David W. Robertson, JN	Louisville
	One Year	Merrill L. Bonebrake, JN	Wabash Valley
	Two Year	Maureen M. Samuels, JN	Louisville
	Two Year	Kim Fisher, AP	Louisville
	Three Year	Jeffrey F. Lagrew, SN	Bluegrass
	Three Year	Paul Durstock, N	Cincinnati

**Rules Committee**

Chairman:	One Year	Joseph Venhoff, AP	Louisville
	Two Year	Janice E. Elwood, JN	Evansville Bend
	Three Year	LeRoy O. Elwood, AP	Evansville Bend

**Auditing Committee**

Chairman:	One Year	Guy E. Waddy, JN	Hoosier
	Two Year	Cynthia S. Robertson, SN	Cincinnati
	Three Year	Ruth G. Lawton, P	Bluegrass

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim Fisher, AP  
Maureen M. Samuels, JN  
Merrill L. Bonebrake, JN  
David W. Robertson, JN  
Sam W. Richey, SN, Co-Chairman  
Guy E. Waddy, JN, Co-Chairman



**United States Power Squadron  
D/24 Spring Council and Conference**

***"SEE YOU IN INDY"***

**10/11/12 MARCH 2017**

***DISTRICT 24 2017 SPRING COUNCIL AND CONFERENCE***

The Hoosier Sail and Power Squadron wishes to extend to you an invitation to join us for a 'Hoosier Experience' in Indianapolis, Indiana the weekend of 10/11/12 March 2017. We have the honor of hosting the District 24 2017 Spring Council and Conference. As many of you know the Spring Council and Conference is the time when we bid farewell to the 'Old D/24 Bridge Officers' and welcome in the 'New D/24 Bridge Officers'. Stepping into the command post on 11 March will be Hoosier member Andrew Terry Prather and the Hoosier Sail and Power Squadron takes pride in honoring Terry in this manner.

This Council and Conference will be held at the Fort Harrison State Park Inn and Garrison Conference Center. This facility is part of Fort Benjamin Harrison located in the northeast quadrant of Indianapolis.

On Friday evening, to kick off the weekend, we are offering a pasta buffet for \$26.50 per person. You will enjoy your dining experience with old and new boating friends alike. Our Friday evening dining will conclude with entertainment from one of Indy's top Blues Singers 'Queen Delphine'. Her accompaniment will be from the 'Crown Jewels'. Plan to put this in your 'Hoosier Experience' for the weekend.

Saturday will always boast with meetings, meetings, and more meetings for our members. Members and non-members alike will come together for lunch on Saturday – an old fashion picnic (indoors). Following lunch the non-members and those members who are 'bored' will have the opportunity to experience one of three 'mystery trips'. Saturday evening we will turn our thoughts to more food. Please join us in the Roosevelt Ballroom for our evening banquet.

As always our Hospitality Room will be open throughout the weekend offering 'Hoosier Hospitality' to all.

Sunday your time will be turned over to reminiscing with old and new friends as we all head back to our private lives. **Before returning back to your 'normal world' Sunday plan on staying for the Hoosier Sail and Power Squadron Change of Watch luncheon.**

This article started out with SEE YOU IN INDY and will end with SEE YOU IN INDY 10/11/12 March 2017.

## **2017 Spring Council & Conference Schedule; Change of Watch**

### **Saturday – 11 March 2017**

#### **0900 Convene 2017 Spring Council**

National Anthem, Pledge of Allegiance	D/C Jeff Lagrew, SN
Invocation	P/D/C David Robertson, JN
Squadron Roll Call & Quorum	P/D/Lt/C Tom Woods, SN
2016 Fall Council/Conference Minutes	D/Lt/C Gwen Comer, P
2017 Summer Rendezvous Budget	D/Lt/C Gwen Comer, P
Other Council Business (Old, New)	D/Lt/C Dallas Farley, AP
	D/C Jeff Lagrew, SN

#### **Adjourn 2017 Spring Council**

D/C Jeff Lagrew, SN

#### **Convene 2017 Spring Conference**

D/C Jeff Lagrew, SN

#### **Introductions:**

D/C Jeff Lagrew, SN

National Representative, District Bridge, Past District Commanders	
Past DEO's, First timers, Guests	
Chief Commander's Message	
Committee Reports	D/C Jeff Lagrew, SN
Squadron Commanders Reports	D/Lt/C Maureen Samuels, JN
Approve 2017 Summer Rendezvous Budget	D/C Jeff Lagrew, SN
Treasurer's Report	D/Lt/C Maureen Samuels, JN
Secretary's Report	D/Lt/C Gwen Comer, P
Administrative Officer's Report	D/Lt/C Dallas Farley, AP
Executive Officer's Report	D/Lt/C Terry Prather, AP
Education Officer's Report	D/Lt/C Susan Durstock, N
Commander's Report	D/C Jeff Lagrew, SN
Awards	D/C Jeff Lagrew, SN

#### **1200-1300 Recess for Lunch**

#### **1300 D24 Change of Watch**

Dismissal of 2016-2017 Bridge	D/C Jeff Lagrew, SN
Retire Commanders Flag	D/Lt Louise Lagrew, P
Turn meeting over to C/C's Rep	National Commander's Rep
Call for Nominating Committee Report	P/D/C Guy Waddy, JN
Installation of District Commander	National Commander's Rep
Installation of District Officers	National Commander's Rep

#### **New D/C Takes Gavel**

Posting of New Commanders Flag	D/C Terry Prather, AP
Introduce New Bridge	D/Lt Donna Prather, P
Ceremonial Activities	D/C Terry Prather, AP
	D/C Terry Prather, AP

#### **1330 Reconvene Spring Conference**

Approval of Appointed Committees	D/C Terry Prather, AP
Unfinished Business	D/C Terry Prather, AP
New Business	D/C Terry Prather, AP

#### **Adjourn Spring Conference and Reconvene Spring Council**

D/C Terry Prather, AP

Approve Appointed Committees	D/C Terry Prather, AP
New Business	D/C Terry Prather, AP
Benediction	P/D/Lt/C Tom Woods, SN

#### **1400 Adjourn Spring Council**

D/C Terry Prather, AP

#### **1400 -1500 Carbon Monoxide and Boating Safety**

Lt/C Nancy Beall

#### **1500-1600 Break-out Sessions**

Squadron Commander's Meeting	D/Lt/C Dallas Farley, AP
Squadron Education Officer's Meeting	D/Lt/C Susan Durstock, N
Squadron AO's Meeting	D/Lt.C Thomas E. Davidson, JN

**DISTRICT 24 - UNITED STATES POWER SQUADRON  
 SPRING CONFERENCE REGISTRATION: 10 — 12 March 2017**

**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)

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PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

Meals	Friday Evening \$26.50	Saturday Lunch \$26.00	Guest Lunch \$26.00	Saturday Banquet \$59.00	Totals
Number					
\$\$ Amount					\$

*Those with special dietary needs, please note on reservation form*

**Designated Delegate (\$85 conference fee paid by D/24 Squadron or District — includes Saturday meals; Friday Evening Meal is additional cost)**

**CONFERENCE REGISTRATION TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

Please make checks payable to: **D/24 Hoosier Sail & Power Squadron**

Send check to arrive by: **1 March, 2017**

**Mail your check to:**

P/R/C Robert D. Brand  
 11444 Pendleton Pike  
 Indianapolis, IN 46236  
 317-823-0175  
 rbrand2996@att.net

**Hotel Reservations:**

**Fort Harrison State Park and Garrison Conference Center**

**Registration deadline is: Friday, 10 February, 2017**

**5830 North Post Road; Indianapolis, IN 46216;**

**317-638-6000; 877-lodges1**

Room Rate - Starting at \$83.99 per night + tax; Standard Room has a King Size Bed.  
 Includes complimentary breakfast, cable, and free Wi-Fi; Reservation Code: D24KW

**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.**