

GALAXY D23 NEWSLETTER



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Greetings everyone. I hope everyone has recovered from the Spring Conference. It was a great time and Anne and I really appreciated the fine event that the Gainesville team put together for us. Now, we need to look forward. We have the D23 Spring Picnic to look forward to and you should all have the fliers by now. The cardboard boat race is back on and all challengers are welcome. Is there any team out there that can knock Titusville off their single-person-entry winning streak?

Safe boating week is coming up towards the end of May. I encourage all Squadrons to plan events around this week of boating safety. Have you advertised your planned activities? Don't overlook your local T.V. station, cable service provider, city and county websites, Sail Angle, yours and D23's websites and the good ole-fashioned news print as sources to let everyone know what you are doing. Lets' have fun and keep it safe.

P/D/C Tim Henke last year encouraged all the Squadrons to share your planned activities with the rest of the District by sending your schedules to our webmaster for posting. We did not see much use of this sharing opportunity. I encourage each of the Squadrons to share the activities you have planned. Perhaps someone from another Squadron would like to join one of your events. Share your fun with others and let us know what you're doing.

In closing, the week after our Spring Conference, Anne, my brother Bob and I were in Raleigh for a family reunion and we had a great opportunity to be invited to the Raleigh Sail and Power Squadrons' monthly meeting at a local bar-b-queue house. I love bar-b-queue. Having said that, we were made most welcomed and felt right at home. We were encouraged to visit the HQ building, which we did and I highly encourage anyone that has the opportunity to visit USPS Headquarters. We were warmly welcomed and given a very comprehensive tour, meeting the entire staff of HQ. To top it off, we had a chance to browse the library / museum on the second floor. History! If you ever want to know anything about the USPS and our history, this is the only place you will find it. Make time to visit if you're ever in the area. Until next time, have fun and boat safely!