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D32 Spring Council
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D32 Spring Conference
11-13 March, 2011



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COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

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This is a busy time for USPS District 32 and the squadrons. First we have the Portland Boat Show with the new Fire Extinguisher Demo to show off. The publicity is out, the show organizers have given us an extra space and training to use the demo equipment can be used as credit for your Inland Navigator Certification. Again this year we will be selling raffle tickets. The profit will be split between FVSPS and District 32.

Fall Conference was a blast. We had excellent speakers, great breakout sessions and a fun time with Gilligan and crew at dinner. I want to thank everyone who helped make it a success.

Spring Conference will be held March 11 and 12, 2011 at the Wilsonville Holiday Inn. Mark your calendar and plan to attend. Flyers will be going out soon. We have excellent speakers lined up and great breakout sessions scheduled. The district bridge will lead sessions for squadron officers, old and new, and their assistants. Be sure all your squadron officers can attend on Saturday. Another session will be on "Cruising 2011". There are plans to go up river, maybe to the San Juan Islands, and how about joining D16 for an informal cruise of the Gulf Islands. Attend this session to help with the planning.

I had the privilege of going to Nanaimo, BC, for the Canadian Power Squadron National Meeting. I attended several group meetings and the general meeting. They do things a little different from us but the goal is the same. CPS and USPS want to educate boaters and attract members.

At the Membership meeting we discussed the reasons why people join the power squadron. There are many benefits of membership besides education. The list includes: Home, Auto and Boat Insurance; 20% off Wyndham Motels; Sears Marketplace; Prescriptions; Avis/Budget Car Rentals. We discussed the social and networking benefit also. When was the last time we discussed member benefits at any of our meetings?

Another topic included ways to make our Boating Classes more successful. CPS Squadrons have a social evening half way through the class and also graduation socials. These events introduce the students to members so they are more inclined to join a group of friends.

How about having a "Cooking Afloat Event"? It could be done on a cruise but what a great potluck idea. Just use items commonly found on boats. We share the receipts. How about a bus trip to the Boat Show or teaching a couple of Seminars at the Rendezvous? These are all great ideas from fellow power squadron members.

I am getting ready to attend the USPS Annual Meeting in Orlando in February. We can learn a lot at these meetings. It would be great if more members from D32 attended so we can go to more meetings and share the information. Let me know if you plan to go.

See you at the Spring Conference in Wilsonville

DC Phyllis Sines, JN





TREASURERS: PROTECT YOURSELVES

The duties of treasurer can be routine, mundane, even boring. The duties are often performed in private, with only the quick monthly summary and the obligatory report at the end of the fiscal year. Often, the annual audit is completed at the last minute and as quickly as possible. It can be difficult to recruit members for the Audit Committee, and difficult to schedule the audit at a mutually convenient time.

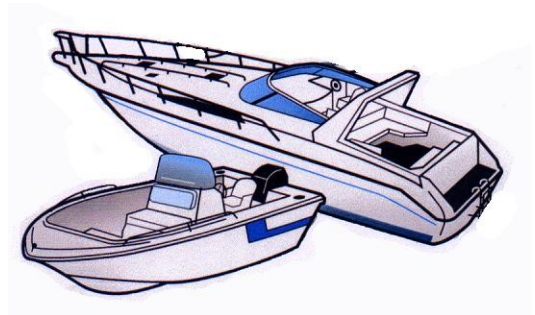
Let's look at the audit process from a different perspective. This is your chance, as the Treasurer, to catch errors of omission or commission. It is your chance get a clean bill of health for your books. And most important to you personally, it is a good opportunity for you to keep your good name.

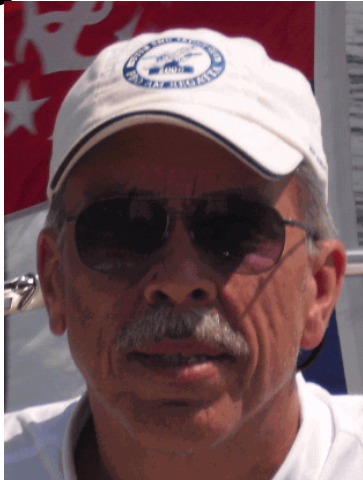
Now is the time to be sure your Audit Committee is staffed and ready. Be sure to have the following records ready for the audit:

- Approved budget for the year
- Last year's closing entries
- Cash Receipts and Disbursement Journal
- General and other journals
- Twelve months of canceled checks and bank statements
- Receipt vouchers
- Invoices paid
- Other authorizations to disburse funds
- All Financial Statements prepared
- Correspondence, if any

By preparing now for the Change of Watch audit, you will be able to sail smoothly through the Spring closure of the books and the financial reports that are required.

D/Lt/C Gary Nelson, AP
D32 Treasurer





Chief Commander's Representative

R/C Greg Korstad, AP

USPS National Law Officer
Minnetonka Power Squadron

District 32 is pleased to have R/C Greg Korstad as the Chief's Representative of the 2011 Spring Conference. Greg Korstad was elected as the National Law Officer for USPS at the 2010 Annual Meeting. He has served on the national law committee for 5 years and on the National Government and Partner Relations Committee for two years.

When he is not otherwise engaged, Greg and his wife Connie will be found aboard their sailboat, *Gaviidae* cruising Lake Superior; or puttering about Lake Minnetonka in their powerboat, *Platypus*. Connie and Greg have put in over 25 years cruising the "Big Lake" and know the importance of the knowledge available from USPS courses. (If you don't like the weather on Lake Superior, just wait an hour and it will change—often dramatically!) Greg is a Vessel Examiner and teaches Sail as well as segments of Cruise Planning and Seamanship.

Greg has been actively involved in District 10. He has served as District Law Officer, MN, Legislative Officer, MN and just ended his term as chair of the D/10 Planning Committee. But he is really at his best in participating in the district fraternal activities: dragging his powerboat to rendezvous at Bayfield WI, Winneconne WI, Red Wing MN and Big Island MN; and serving as bartender for the District hospitality suites at National meetings.

As active members of Minnetonka Power Squadron, Connie and Greg are involved in squadron activities and in the operation of the squadron. Greg was called upon to become commander in 2005 when, just after spending \$80,000 to replace the docks at the squadron's island facility, it was discovered that the toilets, showers and well would need to be upgraded.

Oh, and by the way, Greg also practices environmental and government relations law at Larkin Hoffman, an 80 lawyer firm in Minneapolis, where he says he will continue to practice "until he gets it right and can retire!"





Spring Council Agenda 29 January 2011

Columbia Crossings Club House
12050 N Jantzen
Portland, OR 97217
Across from Safeway on Hayden Island

Saturday ~ Uniform: Team Casual (USPS or Squadron shirts)

0900	Call to Order Invocation Flag Salute Rules of the Council Roll Call Minutes of the Last Council Approval	D/C Phyllis Sines, JN Cdr. Dave Shively Cdr. Dave Shively D/Lt/C Ed Bettencourt, AP D/Lt/C Ed Bettencourt, AP D/Lt/C Ed Bettencourt, AP
0930	District Bridge Reports Education Executive Administration Treasurer Secretary Commander	D/Lt/C Bill Heagy D/Lt/C Steve Gatton D/Lt/C Russ Downing D/Lt/C Gary Nelson D/Lt/C Ed Bettencourt D/C Phyllis Sines
1000	General Business of the Council Nominating Rules Planning Budget Audit Boat Show New Business: Request for Proxies from Commanders Old Business:	D/C Phyllis Sines, JN P/D/C Jim Beachell, JN P/D/C Al Sundberg, SN P/C Rick Rafferty, P P/D/C Gary Hardiman, AP P/C Caryl Lindemeier, AP D/Lt Fred Taylor
1200	Adjourn for Lunch (Brown Bag or support your local restaurants: Norma's, Hooters, Burger King and Taco Bell are within walking distance; a little longer walk takes you to McDonalds, BJ Pizza, Stanfords, misc bars and the food court at the shopping center)	
1300	Educational Seminar	



**REGISTRATION FORM FOR DISTRICT 32
2011 SPRING CONFERENCE
11 - 13 MARCH 2011**

**Location: Holiday Inn
25425 SW 95th Ave, Wilsonville, OR 97070
503-682-2211**

Uniform for the Conference is Team Casual – Proudly wear your squadron shirts

Conference Information: *(There is no charge to attend the Conference. The only charge is for meals.)*

Friday Evening:	1700 - 1800	Registration – D/Lt/C Gary Nelson
	1800 - 1930	Informal No Host Dinner Reception for the Chief’s Rep. R/C Gregory E. Korstad, AP at the Garlic Onion
	1930 - 2100	Welcome Reception in the D/32 Hospitality Suite
Saturday:	0700 - 0830	All Commander’s No Host Breakfast

Fun breakout sessions!
Officers Training
Cruising 2011
VSC Examiner Training
Join Us!

	0830 - 0900	P/D/C No Host Breakfast
	0900 - 1200	Registration – D/Lt/C Gary Nelson
	1200 – 1300	Spring Conference
	1300 - 1400	Break for Lunch – Garlic Onion – Great Luncheon Speaker
	1400 - 1630	Conference Continues
		Breakout Sessions
Spouse activities:	1000 - 1500	Spouses Activity – Meet in Motel Lobby and carpool to Bridgeport Shopping Center

50/50 Raffle – the more you spend the more you get

Saturday Evening: **Uniform: CLASS A, Blazer or Mufti**
 1800 - 1900 Social Hour - No Host Bar -
 1900 - 2100 Dinner and Awards
 After Dinner D32 Hospitality Suite

Accommodations: A block of rooms has been reserved for both Friday and Saturday nights for USPS members and their guests. Room rates are \$109.00 plus tax for double or single occupancy. To assure yourself a room at the rate shown, reservations should be made no later than 1 March 2011. Contact the Holiday Inn directly at 503-682-2211 or and make sure you tell them you are with the United States Power Squadron.

Register Online and pay using PayPal. Go to <http://uspsd32.org/conf> and follow the links to Spring Conference Registration

OR

PLEASE COMPLETE THIS FORM AND RETURN WITH YOUR RESERVATIONS BY 1 March 2011



Make check out to USPS District 32 and mail to:
D/Lt/C Gary Nelson, Treasurer
1925 NW 28th Pl, Portland OR 97210-2215

If you have any questions or need more information please contact – Cdr. Dave Shively
Phone number: 503-678-2576

Name(s): _____ Squadron: _____

			By 25 Feb.	After 25 Feb.	
Lunch:	Meat Loaf	# _____	Cost: \$ 19.00	\$ 21.00	Amt: _____
	Cobb Salad	# _____	Cost: \$ 19.00	\$ 21.00	Amt: _____

Dinner: BBQ Buffett – Cajun Pork Ribs and Fried Chicken – Tossed Green Salad, Coleslaw, Red Potato Salad, Biscuits, Corn with Red Peppers, Roasted Red Potatoes, Baked Beans and Berry or Apple Cobbler with Whipped Cream.
 # _____ Cost: \$ 35.00 \$ 37.00 Amt: _____

TOTAL: \$ _____

Lighthouses in Oregon

The Oregon Coast is home to 9 surviving lighthouses plus two privately owned lighthouses. How many of you have heard of the Tillamook Rock Lighthouse? A few years ago I heard a speaker talk about this lighthouse, explaining its history as well as the last log entry made by the light keeper upon its closing.

The following was taken from the website www.guidetooregon.com.



Description:

Located over 1 miles off the coast, this lighthouse stands on a rock 133 feet above the ocean.

History:

Known as a great engineering feat of the late 19th century. The construction of this lighthouse took 575 days to build. After some initial worries about constructing on a rock, and with public outcry when a life was lost in the process, construction was done in secret because of the public opposition. After a long history, the light was lit for a final time in 1957. Oswald Allik, the last lighthouse keeper noted in the station

log: "Farewell, Tillamook Rock Light Station" as it's final entry.

Constructed in:

1881

Open to Public:

No - but can be viewed from Ecola State Park.

Location:

1-1/4 miles off Tillamook Head

On the Northern Coast of Oregon, this lighthouse can be seen from the oceanfront towns of Seaside & Cannon Beach.

Tillamook Head Lighthouse Final Keepers Journal Entry

Terrible Tilly shone her light for 77 years. On September 1, 1957, Keeper Oswald Allik turned off the light, and penned the following final logbook entry, today on display at the Columbia River Maritime Museum in Astoria, Oregon:

Farewell, Tillamook Rock Light Station. An era has ended. With this final entry, and not without sentiment, I return thee to the elements. You, one of the most notorious and yet fascinating of the sea-swept sentinels in the world; long the friend of the tempest-tossed mariner. Through howling gale, thick fog and driving rain your beacon has been a star of hope and your foghorn a voice of encouragement. May the elements of nature be kind to you. For 77 years you have beamed your light across desolate acres of ocean. Keepers have come and gone; men lived and died; but you were faithful to the end. May your sunset years be good years. Your purpose is now only a symbol, but the lives you have saved and the service you have rendered are worthy of the highest respect. A protector of life and property to all, may old-timers, newcomers and travelers along the way pause from the shore in memory of your humanitarian role.

Make time on your next trip to the Northern Oregon Coast, to stop, and take a glimpse at the history in our own back yards. Think about the words recorded by Oswald Allik, as well as the lives saved by the existence of this lighthouse.

UNITED STATES POWER SQUADRONS

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