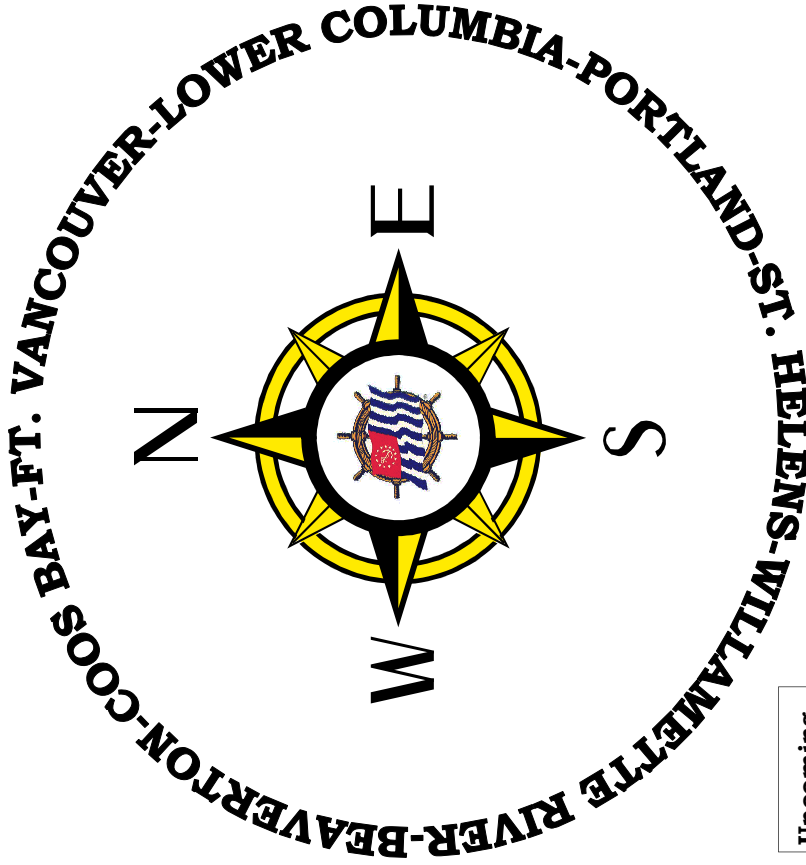


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2 FEBRUARY 2008

D/32 Spring Council & Education Seminar
Warren Oregon

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Portland Oregon



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COMMANDER'S MESSAGE
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As I reach the end of my year and realize that soon the gavel will be passed on, I look at not so much the places I've visited, but the people I've met along the way. With fondness, I'll remember the new adventures, the new discoveries, the new friends, as well as some sadness. It's been a memorable year for me.

We are an organization of volunteers who in many ways contribute vast amounts of time taking part in education, projects and fellowship opportunities. While responsibility for success falls directly on the commanders, they cannot and should not, do it all alone -- your squadron commander has a demanding task and your cooperation and support is vital.

There is a need for a continuing supply of good leaders. To survive we *must* have people willing to serve on the bridges of squadrons. Unfortunately, on my watch, we had a near squadron failure and most recently, what seems to be a total squadron failure. National introduced a new aggressive Leadership Development Workshop in which District 32 participated last fall by sending Phyllis Sines and Kathy Kolstad to California for training. They brought back the skills, as resources, to prepare the next generation to lead. As I stated before, we now need members to take up the management role reins to avoid any more problems.

On Saturday, February 2, 2008, the upcoming District Education Seminar will offer the Operations Training Program course of study in a condensed form. I encourage anyone with thoughts of working with the squadrons to attend and take this class.

Several members from the district will be traveling to Dallas, Texas, for the USPS Annual Meeting February 20 ~ 24, 2008:

Cdr. Gary D. Hardiman, AP	D32 Commander
D/Lt/C James G. Beachell, JN	D32 Executive Officer
P/D/C Diane Julum, JN	D32 Past Commander
D/Lt/C Steve Zinsmeister, SN	D32 Educational Officer
Stf/C Herbert Shaw, JN	Nat'l Asst/Ch, Planning
P/D/C Phyllis C. Sines, JN	D32 Past Commander

Highlighting the Spring District Conference and receiving top billing will be National Treasurer V/C Joe R. Mesenburg, SN. Joe will be the featured speaker at the conference, delivering the Chief Commander's message.

The adventure continues...

Gary



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We are planning for the Spring Council Education Seminars, February 2nd at St Helens moose Lodge, starting about 1:00 PM. Everyone is invited. We will discuss the latest developments and status of the Boat Operators Certification Program. Much interest has been expressed in this program qualifying boat operators for an internationally recognized "passport" at different levels of expertise. Certificates can be earned which help with boat chartering and insurance. This is still a work in progress so come find out where things stand.

Al Sundberg will offer an abbreviated Operations Training course about 3 hours duration. This program is strongly recommended for all who are or will be on the squadron or district bridges. It is also recommended everyone retake the course every 4-5 years. There is no cost and no test. We urge all who will be bridge officers or who have an interest in the USPS organization to attend.

We are also planning for D/32 Spring Conference, February 29th and March 1st at the Red Lion, Jantzen Beach Portland. Interesting speakers and informative breakout sessions are being planned including the latest new Seminars. See 32 Points for info about rooms, meals, and full program. Everyone is invited and will have a good time and an opportunity to learn.

I will attend the annual meeting in Dallas in February so hope to come back with the latest information on the USPS education department.

Steve

NOTICE: The 2008 cruise schedule will appear in the April issue of 32 Points. Squadrons are invited to submit any special cruises or events that they have planned to be included. Please send information to Kathy Kolstad by calling 360 837-3702 or emailing kathy@computerjon.com.



EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
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Believe it or not, Spring will be here shortly and now is the best time to start preparing the season launch. Schedule a Vessel Safety Check, check your trailer wheel bearings, lights and wiring. Inspect your tires. If they show signs of wear, time for new ones. If you use an Inflatable PFD, check the USCG Boating Safety page (www.uscgboating.org) and click on the "CO2 PFD Inflator Failure link". The US Coast Guard has been made aware of a potential problem when installing CO2 cylinders that have bayonet tips in inflatable PFD's. If the cylinder is not properly installed, the PFD will not inflate with CO2. Some Mustang, Protexion and Sterns/SOSpenders PFD could be effected by this defect. The USCG link stated above contains a table showing the manufacture and model of inflatable PFD's effected.

The week of May 17-23, 2008 will be National Safe Boating week, numerous Squadron and District events will be planned. Take some time this year to participate in your local Squadrons events. Show support by wearing a PFD while boating and encourage all of your boating family and friends to join you. If you have watched any of the Bass fishing shows on TV lately, you are now seeing tournament Bass fisherman wearing inflatable PFD's. Some inflatable PFD manufacturers now offer "Bass fishing" inflatable PFD's.

I encourage everyone to visit the following web site: www.BoatBlue.org, to review the information on Ballast Water Legislation HR2550 and Senate Bill 2067. In 2006, a US District Court ruling untended to hold the EPA responsible for regulating ballast water discharges from ocean-going vessels, unfortunately the ruling also included all non-commercial vessels as well. The court has directed the EPA to develop a new , complex and costly permitting scheme for the nations estimated 18 million boats by September 2008. The permit system would apply to all water exiting a vessel, engine cooling water, grey water and even rain runoff. The introduced legislation HR2550 and the Recreational Boating Act of 2007 Senate Bill 2067, would exempt recreational boat owners from having to secure multiple permits for the normal operation of their boats. The listed BoatBlue web site contains more information as well as a way to contact our local and national legislators to make your feelings heard on this issue.

I hope as many D32 members as possible will plan on attending the Spring Conference in Portland, February 29 and March 1. The details are listed in this newsletter. Come and be involved with the business of D32. Each and every members input is important. Have a great Spring, plan on doing some on the water Coop Charting and attend a local Squadron or District cruise, I guarantee you will have a good time.



ADMINISTRATIVE DEPARTMENT
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Briefly, I'd like to note a special 'heads up' for the continued enjoyment of District 32's signature gathering, the Annual Cruise and Rendezvous in St. Helens Oregon. Reservations are confirmed with the City of St. Helens for the Cruise's traditional date, that being the weekend before the Labor Day weekend, August 22, 23 and 24.

This past year's event was especially fun as some new contributions were made; We were served a full Friday evening dinner by the St Helens Yacht Club, Rosemary Grigg's pulled off a delightfully fun 'Ducky Derby' and Kathy Kolstad organized yet another successful 'PFD splash' and 'water recovery drill'!

What's in store for 2008? Show up and see for yourself. We'll look forward to seeing you there!



Chief Commander's Representative
V/C Joe R. Mesenburg, SN
D/32 Spring Conference

V/C Joe Mesenburg, SN came to the office of National Treasurer with a wealth of financial insight having served on the National Finance Committee for nine years, three years on the Operating Committee as Chairman of Finance, and 39 years as an investment portfolio manager.

Joe began his relationship with USPS in 1988 when he joined the Columbus (Ohio) squadron. He served as Administrative Officer (AO), Executive Officer (XO), and Commander for the squadron before moving on to the District level. For District 29, Joe served as Secretary, DAO, DXO, and as the District Commander in 2000. At the same time he was involved in committees on the National level and served as an Aide-to-the-Chief for four Chief Commanders – P/C/C Art Farr, SN, P/C/C Lance Jensen, SN, P/C/C Ted Smith, SN, and P/C/C Les Johnson, SN.

Joe and his wife Karen reside in Powell, Ohio (a suburb of Columbus). Joe enjoys hunting big game through out North America and the wilds of Africa, and of course boating. Joe and his wife Karen have logged together over 26,000 miles cruising the five Great Lakes. Their present cruising vessel is a 53' Tollycraft, named "Put 'N' Call". Cheboygan, Michigan serves as home port when they are not cruising. In recognition of their extensive cruising in all five of the Great Lakes, Karen and Joe were awarded the

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The following members are nominated to serve District 32 during the 2008-09 Bridge year. Those names highlighted have accepted nomination to new positions. Those not highlighted have agreed to continue to serve as previously elected.

District Commander:	Jim Beachell, JN (FV)	Nominations:	3 Year, P/D/C Gary Hardiman, AP (FV)
Executive Officer:	Jim Tongue, P (P)		3 Year, Open
Administrative Officer:	Ed Bettencourt, AP (FV)		2 Year, Cdr. Ray Murphy, AP (SH)
Educational Officer:	Steve Zinsmeister, SN (FV)		2 Year, Nancy Bettencourt, AP (FV)
Asst. Educational Officer:	Bill Heagy, AP (FV)		1 Year, P/D/C Diane Julum, JN (P)
Secretary:	Open		1 Year, P/D/C Bill Parker, AP (B)
Treasurer:	Art Ricchiuti, P (FV)		

Rules:	P/D/C Al Sundberg, SN (FV)	Auditing:	3 Years, P/D/Lt/C Carol McCoy, S (P)
	P/D/C John McCoy, AP (P)		2 Years, P/C Caryl Lindemeier, AP (P)
	P/C Cindy Neilson, SN (WR)		1 Year, Bill Hoyer, P (P)

Planning:

- 3 Years, **P/D/C Ron Collman, JN (LC)**
- 3 Years, **Cdr. Matthew Carter, P (LC)**
- 2 Years, P/D/C Phyllis Sines, JN (FV)
- 2 Years, P/C Janette Schwartz, AP (SH)
- 1 Year, Lt/C Robert Hamilton, Sr., AP (WR)
- 1 Year, P/C Russ Downing, AP (P)

The list of nominees will be presented to District 32 at the Spring Council meeting on 2 February 2008, in Warren Oregon.

Respectfully submitted,

P/D/C Diane Julum, JN
Chairman, D/32 Nominations Committee

Shamus O'Flaherty Loved... Admired... Appreciated... And so Greatly Missed

"Although we loved him dearly, his golden heart stopped beating and his hard working hands are at rest. He found a snug harbor, dragged an anchor to windward and was cleared by the master mariner to pass over the bar." *Warren Levecke (WRSPS)*



Shamus O'Flaherty never let anyone down. He never made a promise that he couldn't or wouldn't keep. For many of us, he changed the very way we look at life.

Shamus lost his long battle with cancer on January 6, 2008. Please join Phyllis, family and friends, on Saturday February 9th from 2-5 PM at the home of Bob & Jan Bue (8916 NW Lakecrest Ave, Vancouver) as we remember Shamus. He touched our lives, and he taught us lessons that we will carry with us forever. Shamus was truly one of a kind. His memory will be best served by following his example. Laugh lots, love deeply, and commit with full spirit to those things worthy of your time.

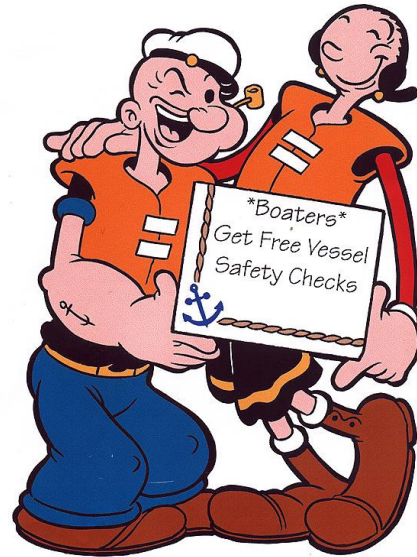
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REGISTRATION FORM FOR DISTRICT 32 SPRING COUNCIL & EDUCATION SEMINAR SATURDAY, 2 FEBRUARY 2008

Location: St Helens Moose Lodge
57317 Old Portland Road
Warren, OR 97053
503-397-5354

Directions: From Portland, take Hwy 30 toward St. Helens; turn right onto Bennett Road and a left onto Portland Road. Follow Portland Road until you see the Moose Lodge.

Times:
0830- Registration
0900 - Council
1200 - Lunch
1300 - Educational Conference / Operations Training

**PLEASE COMPLETE THIS FORM AND RETURN THE BOTTOM HALF WITH YOUR RESERVATIONS
BY MONDAY, 28 JANUARY 2008**

Make check out to Beaverton Sail & Power Squadron (BSPS) and mail to:
Beaverton Sail and Power Squadron - c/o Mary C. Bauman
10270 SW View Terrace, Tigard OR 97224-4823

If you have any questions or need more information please contact Lt/C Mary C. Bauman, AP at HM 503 639-2491, CELL 503 720-6561, or you can email her at baumanmc@comcast.net

Name(s): _____ Squadron: _____

Council/Seminar Lunch, \$7.00
Soup / Salad / Sandwich Luncheon Bar
_____ Amt: \$ _____



**REGISTRATION FORM FOR DISTRICT 32
2008 SPRING CONFERENCE & CHANGE OF WATCH
FEBRUARY 29th – MARCH 1st, 2008**



Location: Red Lion Hotel on the River, Jantzen Beach, Portland, Oregon

Accommodations: Contact Red Lion Hotel on the River at 503-283-4466 or 1-800-733-5466; request **Joshua Green - U. S. Power Squadrons Event**. Rates: Single - \$99.00; Double - \$99.00; Triple - \$109.00; Quad - \$119.00. A block of rooms has been reserved for Friday and Saturday.

Directions: Red Lion Hotel on the River, Jantzen Beach is conveniently located on the scenic Columbia River, 10 minutes from Downtown Portland and 15 minutes from PDX. Take I-5 to exit #308, the hotel is located on the east-side of the freeway on the north side of the island.

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

Friday Evening:	1700 - 1800	Registration
	1800 - 1930	Informal No Host Dinner in the Shenanigans' Restaurant located inside the Hotel <i>Call for dinner reservations (503-289-0966) as space is limited.</i>
	1930 -	Reception in the Weyerhaeuser Room (Lower Floor) for C/C Representative, V/C Joe Mesenburg, SN <i>~ Dress: Blazer or Mufti* (Tie Optional) ~</i>
Saturday:	0700 - 0830	Commanders' & P/D/C No Host Breakfast At Shenanigans' Restaurant <i>Call for breakfast reservations (503-289-0966) as space is limited</i>
	0730 - 0900	Registration
	0900 - 1600	Spring Conference in Timberline Room (Lower Floor) (Lunch 1200 – 1300) Guest Speaker: TBA <i>~ Dress: Team Casual (Squadron, District 32, or USPS shirt) ~</i>
Spouse Activities:	1300 - 1600	Spouse Tours – Meet in Hotel Lobby just after lunch: TBA
Saturday Evening:	1800 - 1900	No Host Cocktails in Multnomah Room (Lower Floor)
	1900 -	Dinner and Change of Watch in Multnomah Room (Lower Floor) <i>~ Dress: Class A Uniform with Bow Tie, or Mufti* ~</i>

** Mufti: Appropriate Business Attire*



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**Make check payable to FVSPS and mail to:
Lt/C Joshua Green, FVSPS, 4724 SE 99th Ave. Portland, OR 97266**

**If you have any questions or need more information please contact Lt/C Joshua Green, AP
at 503 310-5326 or admin@fvsp.org**

Name(s): _____ Squadron: _____

Lunch: Lunch includes salad, beverage and dessert

Roast Beef & Cheddar on a Kaiser Bun. - \$18.00 # _____ Lunch Amt: \$ _____

Dinner: All dinner selections include bread, classic Caesar salad, beverage and dessert

Wild Mushroom Stuffed Chicken Breast - \$ 29.00 # _____ Dinner Amt: \$ _____
(Filled with wild mushrooms and smoked Gouda cheese, served with wild rice cakes, Madeira jus and fresh vegetables)

Porcini Crusted Halibut - \$ 31.00 # _____ Dinner Amt: \$ _____
(Served on a bed of roasted vegetables with Yukon gold potatoes and a lemon-thyme butter sauce)

Spouse Activity: (No Fee) # _____ Participants

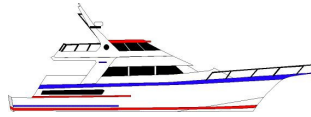
TOTAL PAID: \$ _____

District 32 Well Represented At The 2008 Portland Boat Show!

The 2008 Portland Expo Boat Show went off without a hitch. Squadron members working the booth collected over 75 contact cards for the squadrons and handed out a ton of safe boating pamphlets. I would like to thank all of you who gave your time as volunteers at the show.

Also a special thanks to Rick Gilbertson and Terry Turnidge for your work throughout the year on the Boat Show Committee.

Ed Bettencourt
Boat Show Chairman



She Now Rest in Peace

Marlene Hooper, wife of Coos Bay SEO Howard Hooper, lost her long battle with COPD, emphysema on January 15, 2008.

The thoughts and prayers of all members of District 32 are with Howard and his family during this difficult time.

District 16 Spring Conference 14-16 March 2008

Skagit Bay Sail and Power Squadron would like to invite members from District 32 to participate in the District 16 Spring Conference in La Conner, Washington. The city of La Conner is the heart of the Skagit Valley. We will be lodging at the La Conner Country Inn and at The Channel Lodge. The meeting will be held at the Swinomish Yacht Club.

Registration

Will take place on Friday in the Country Inn from 1500 to 1800. On Saturday, you will find it at the Swinomish Yacht Club.

Friday Evening Activity

There will be a "No Host" reception starting at 1800 at the LaConner Seafood and Prime Rib House. Dress is Team Casual (Polo shirt and "Dockers")

Saturday Conference

Will be called to order by D/C Carolyn Black, AP at 0930. All USPS® members are welcome to attend. Team casual or appropriate attire.

Deli Sandwich lunch will be available 1145 – 1300 and will offer a variety of sandwiches, pasta salad, cookie or brownie and a drink.

Saturday Evening Change of Watch Banquet
Reception 1730 – 1830 with a no host bar, dinner will be served at 1830. Dinner will be a Buffet with Salmon Fillet, Pork Loin Roast, Vegetables, Potatoes, Green Salad, Dinner rolls, Chefs choice dessert. Swearing in ceremony follows. Uniform A with bow tie or appropriate attire requested.

Saturday Evening Entertainment

Come and hear the Shifty Sailors sing your favorite sea shanties.

Reservations for meals is required by Wednesday, 15 February 2008. For questions or to make reservations, please contact:

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