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COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Hello Folks,

Here we are in December and the weather has not dumped the s word (snow) on us, YET!!! We all know it is coming, but for now this is nice! I hope that everyone had a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! As we move into January I hope the weather holds out on the snow for now. I know the snow is pretty, but however the (White Christmas) dream is over and now it time to start warming up for spring AH AH!

As we go into February, on the calendar of events will be - on February 18 operation training (now called Squadron Development Workshop). Any officer on or going to the Bridge should think about going to this, this is a big help on training the person for their office position. Then on the 19th of February at the Kelso's we are having our Cruise Planning Meeting so come out and set your sites on a cruise that you dreamed of having or come on out and help support the cause and have some fun!!! Coming in February on the 24-26 is our boat shows at the Fair Grounds please contact Dean Jones to help the Squadron to make our self be known! The meeting on Illumination polices are going well, and I have talked to Larry Costello at Trailer Master's and we are now on the list for a new trailer. More donations were received after the meeting last week on Illumination last week. More

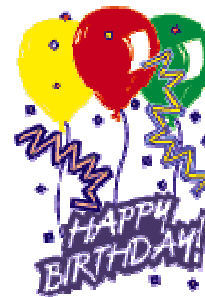
updates will be given at the next dinner meeting.

Also our bumper stickers have finally arrived so look me up at the next dinner meeting for your free sticker!! That is all I have for this Month.

P/S to all the members that show up at the Aqua Sports Club lately we are doing breakfast on New Year's Day it starts at 9 a.m. until noon.

Thank you for your support in 2011. See all of ya's in 2012 and have a Great New Year!!!!

Cdr. Daryl Peek AP



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Kaye Bruner	01/07
Nancy Leefers	01/11
Bill Chastain	01/14
Lynn Kearney	01/20
Gail Savidge	01/20
Dick Rawlings	01/25
Barb Lovekamp	01/25
Brad Lovekamp	01/29
Jack Keller	01/30
Daryl Peek	01/31

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VERY SPECIAL THANKS

The Christmas Party at the Springfield Motor Boat Club was a lovely success thanks to the efforts of Kathy Wright and Kay Caruso. Kathy has been doing an outstanding job as AO and the party was a good example. She took care of the centerpieces that were raffled, brought the dessert treats, brought the raffle barrel, took care of the raffle ticket sales, arranged and welcomed the evening entertainment, provided the table games, cleared up her 'stuff,' gathered it into a large laundry basket, AND was the official greeter ...all with a lovely smile. Hey, let's be sure to lend a hand at future events, e.g., COW.

Kay did her conscientious phone calls to assure we met our quota of attendees. She booked our restaurant reservations and menu, collected payments, arranged the squadron donation to the Central Illinois Food Bank, collected donations and sent the generous fund to the Food Bank. She distributed the new name tags to those who ordered and kept all that money straight. WOW!

A big thank you to both these very competent young women.

P/C Gail Savidge, P

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

Officer nominations for the 2012-2013 for the Land of Lincoln Power Squadron will be submitted to the membership in a separate e-mail. The election will be held at the February 11, 2012 meeting. Members are urged to attend the meeting to cast their vote.

Section 11.1 Candidates for office to be voted upon at the annual meeting may be nominated (1) by the Nominating Committee as herein provided or (2) by petition in writing signed by at least five active members in good standing and filed with the secretary at least 15 days before the date of election.

Section 11.3 If vacancies exist in the properly formulated slate of nominees at the time of the election they shall be filled by nominations from the floor duly made by active members.

Section 11.4 No active member shall be eligible for nomination without first signifying willingness and ability to serve if elected.

Nominating Committee
P/C Richard Burd, AP
P/C Greg Kelso, AP
P/C Jack Shook, AP

Boat Show Feb. 24, 25, 26

Sign-up is under way for the annual Springfield Boat Show. There is always room for additional members at any time slot—the more the merrier. Tubby Tug will be there at our booth, which should be located near the center fountain area again this year. As usual, your names will be listed at the door so that you can be admitted with no charge. Contact Dean Jones at (364-9144 or 741-5668) - if you're interested in a slot, or be ready to sign up at our January 12th general meeting. If you want to back out, Dean says he's NOT AVAILABLE TO ANSWER YOUR CALL...

SAIL ANGLE ARTICLE

For the past 30 months the Marketing/Public Relations Committee has worked to have a 1 February 2014 United States Power Squadrons Anniversary Commemorative Stamp issued by the US Postal Service.

To date our efforts have been unsuccessful because they view USPS as "just another non profit." Yet, they recently honored the Boy Scouts of America.

If you agree that our organization is deserving of such recognition, the next step is up to you. Congressmen and senators will be on recess in their home districts during the next ten weeks. We urge you to visit with them or at least do a mass mailing to them, asking their support.

To assist you a copy of our application cover letter from the Chief Commander, a model letter which can be revised for local use, a list of congressmen on subcommittees that supervise the Postal Service, a report of presidential letters and prominent endorsements for the stamp, the application/history itself, and a proclamation from all governors can be viewed and downloaded at this website:

<http://www.usps.org/national/pr/Stamp.html>

Our position is that USPS has a significant history begun at the urging of Franklin Delano Roosevelt, when Undersecretary of the Navy. That history has involved initiating national public recreational boating safety education, training Navy personnel during two Word Wars, and creating significant ties to the US Coast Guard, the Department of Homeland Security, the Federal Emergency Management Administration and the National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration. Hopefully, your efforts will make this well deserved national tribute happen.

Thank you

R/C Greg Scotten, SN

(National started working on this project in 2000. I have been wondering what the hang up was. Editor)

D-20 DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP

Happy Holidays! And while you're enjoying the festivities of the season, please plan on attending the USPS District 20 Squadron Development Workshop. This event, previously called OT (Operations Training) is being held Saturday, 18 February at the Crowne Plaza Chicago – Northbrook.

While the activities for the day are geared towards current and incoming squadron officers, everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend. Reservations for lunch and guest rooms are due by Saturday, 4 February.

Information about the workshops and the keynote speaker and a reservation form are attached. We hope to see you there.

ILLUMINATION MEETING

An article from Jack Shook updating the membership on the recent meetings regarding the

future of Illumination will be sent in a separate message in the near future.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER

No report.

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Planning is well under way for 2012 general meetings and AA's. We're looking forward to a fun and exciting year. As always, if you have a recommendation for a location or speaker/program, please let me know.

All events start at 1800. Hope to see you there!

December 30	AA	Parrot Down 2700 West Lawrence Dr.
January 12	Meeting	Top Cat's Chill & Grill 1822 Stevenson Drive
January 27	AA	Dublin Pub (TENT.) Wabash Ave.
Feb. 9	Meeting	TBD
Feb. 24	AA	American Legion
March 3	COW	TBD
March 30	AA	TBD
April 12	Meeting	National Surveying Museum
April 27	AA	Lime Street Cafe

Kathy Wright, AO

TRIVIA FUNDRAISER

We're planning a second fundraising trivia night in April 28. Stay tuned for details—and sharpen your trivia skills every chance you can get so you and your team can be well represented in an evening of fun!

CAN YOU HELP MEET THE CHALLENGE ?

Dean Jones has issued a challenge to the squadron---**Illumination needs a home.**

It is proposed that we buy an enclosed trailer to be that home. Dean will match contributions totaling \$500. We've had numerous contributions to date but more are needed!

Can you help cause Jesse to write that check? Maybe you will be the one to push us over.

MORE TIES PLEASE

Please bring your old and tired ties to the next dinner meeting. Silk, polyester, rayon, nylon or blends are acceptable. More ties are needed.

If you missed the last meeting, the purpose is to recycle ties into a quilt to be raffled.

Construction will begin following the January meeting. Quilters interested in completing a block or two, please contact Gail. Hopefully the quilt will be completed by the April trivia party.

Thank you.

PC Gail

THOUGHTS TO PONDER



"I'LL RUN OVER AND PICK UP OUR WELFARE CHECK, THEN DROP BY THE UNIVERSITY TO SEE WHAT'S HOLDING UP MY FEDERAL EDUCATION GRANT, MEANWHILE YOU GO TO THE FREE CLINIC TO CHECK ON YOUR SCABIES AND PICK UP MY NEW GLASSES, AND THEN WE WILL MEET AT THE FEDERAL BUILDING AT NOON FOR THE MASS PICKETING OF THE STINKING ESTABLISHMENT."

THANK YOU * THANK YOU * THANK YOU

Due to the generosity of those in attendance at our Christmas party on December 3rd, **LLPS gave the Central Illinois Foodbank \$320.** The Foodbank was delighted to receive our donation and sent us a nice "thank you" shortly afterward. This was a most worthwhile community project for LLPS involvement in December. Even if you could not make it to our Christmas party but would still like to donate to the Foodbank, you could send your donation to:

Central Illinois Foodbank
2000 East Moffat, PO Box 8228
Springfield, IL 62791

2012 PORTS OF CALL

January

- 1 **HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!!**
- 5 **Bridge Meeting, Laurel Methodist Church, 1800**
- 12 **Dinner Meeting, Top Cats**
- 25-29 **USPS Annual Meeting, Jacksonville, FL**
- 27 **Attitude Adjustment, Dublin Pub – Wabash Ave.**

February

- 2 **Bridge Meeting, Laurel Methodist Church, 1800**
- 9 **LOL Annual Meeting – Election of new bridge, TBA**
- 18 **D-20 Development Work Shop, Crown Plaza Chicago, Northbrook**
- 19 **HAPPY BIRTHDAY USPS**
- 19 **Cruise Planning Meeting, 5508 Griffitts, Spaulding, IL; 1400**
- 24 **AA – American Legion Post 32 – Sangamon Avenue**
- 24 – 26 **Springfield Boat Show, Orr Bldg., IL State Fairgrounds**

March

- 1 **Bridge Meeting, Laurel Methodist Church, 1800**
- 3 **CHANGE OF WATCH - TBD**

RSVP is necessary for all dinner meetings and helpful for the AAs.

RSVP to Kay Caruso 217/629-8667 [or jake72@casscomm.com](mailto:jake72@casscomm.com)

THANK YOU!

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