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FROM THE COMMANDER

Cdr James J. Kosmos, AP



Well, another month has gone by and that means just 5 more until launch time. (Cant Wait!) The SCPS Holiday dinner at Primavera was a complete success. Once again the fellowship and conversation was very warming. A thanks to all who arranged and attended this special event.

Please plan to attend the January meeting at the North Canton Acme. We will have chili and baked potato soup. Ken and Lynda Leque will give a presentation on their trip to Norway. (Origins of the Vikings, not the football team)

From Peter's Humorous Sailing and Boating Definitions

(The following is used for article filler only, due to writers block)

Buoy: Opposite of girlie or flying gull.

Chart: 1) Large piece of paper that is useful in protecting cabin and cockpit surfaces from food and beverage stains. 2) Type of nautical map which tells you exactly where you are aground or what you just hit.

Crew: Heavy, stationary objects used on shipboard to hold down charts, anchor cushions

in place and dampen sudden movements of the boom

Dangerous Waters: Lying to your spouse.

Dead Reckoning: 1) Course leading directly to a reef. 2) What a Southern Doctor pronounces after a sailor goes to Davy Jone's Locker. 3) Using a map instead of a chart.

Dock: Where you take a sick boat.

Dockline: Direct telephone access to a physician.

Port: Fine red wine, always stowed on the left side of the boat.

Give Way Vessel: The boat which, in a collision situation, did not have the right of way.

Stand On Vessel: Vessel that in a collision was "in the right". If there were witnesses, the owner could bring an admiralty court case - known as a "wet suit" or a "leisure suit" - against the owner of the other boat, and if he proves "shiplash", he could collect a tidy sum.

Skeg: What sea-going beer comes in.

For more goto: <http://www.bluewatersailing.com/documents/humorous-sail-definitions.pdf>

Have a Very Happy, Healthy, Safe and Prosperous New Year.


WHAT'S NEW IN EDUCATION SEO STF/C KENNETH T. LEQUE, SN


We are pleased to announce that the partnership arrangement with the Great Lakes Cruising Club (GLCC) will continue for the coming year. All GLCC on-line cruising-related webinars are available to USPS members at reduced

USPS registration rates. Many webinars are planned for the 2015-16 GLCCSchool curriculum year. **Note that there is now a NEW discount code for the coming year, so be sure to use this new discount code when signing up for a webinar.** Details are available on the USPS GLCCSchool web page.

A big thank you to Rick Dunlap who taught the Weather class for 5 students. They all took the test and I will report the results next month.

If there a class you would like to take please let me know.



D/Lt/C Lynda Leque with new member Matt Komara after being sworn in at the December Meeting. Welcome Matt!

Important Message

Please note that the start time for the 7 January meeting has been changed to **18:30**

We will be serving chili and soup with all of the fixings, followed by a short meeting.

The program will be Lynda and Ken Leque sharing their recent trip to Norway. Please don't miss this exciting presentation along with good food and friendship. See page 5 for more details. We hope to see many of you there!

Send your articles and pictures to:

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**DEADLINE FOR THE
FEBRUARY 2016 ISSUE
IS 20 JANUARY**

FROM THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER Lt/C Kathy A Russell



Wow, we are having crazy weather and I like crazy! Almost reaching the end of December and no accumulation of that white stuff! Best of all, I have hardly had to scrap my windows. This is really good, as I am not a morning person and don't have a minute to spare. Therefore, I am eternally grateful when I don't have to scrap the irritating thin layer of ice. There have been times when I scrapped the windows, start the drive to work and suddenly they are frosted up again!

Four more days until Christmas and many people are wishing for a "White Christmas." I can be jolly and enjoy Christmas without snow. Attending the Stark County Power Squadron Christmas party really got my Christmas spirit flowing. Primavera served us awesome food at the Stark County Power Squadron Christmas party. Tradition is everyone brings cookies to the party. I had strategically placed mine individually in pretty Christmas wrappers on trays and was pleased how they looked. Walked out the door and suddenly the trays slipped out of my hands and cookies flew everywhere! I can't even use ice or snow as an excuse, because we are having "the crazy" weather. The cookies are always good, but this year they were spectacular. Thanks to everyone for keeping the Christmas cookie tradition in place. I want to thank Linda Leque for making the arrangement with Primavera.

We will soon be leaving "2015" and welcoming in "2016." I look forward to all the upcoming activities and especially the District 7 Spring Conference, "TV's Greatest Hits of the 60s." Our squadron will make sure the Conference is the greatest of conferences!

I apologize as my article is not one of my best. I woke-up and my eyes were plastered shut! A trip to Stat Care and waiting two hours led to a diagnosis of Pink Eye. The Pink Eye took a liking to me and did not want to leave me anytime soon! Better I get it now, then the conference weekend!



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Founder's Day Dinner

**Saturday, February 6, 2016
Primavera's Ristorante
5382 Fulton Rd NW, Canton, OH**

Menu: Your choice of

- Seared salmon with Dijon horseradish
 - Rigatoni with sausage and peppers
 - Bourbon glazed pork chops
 - 10 oz grilled NY strip steak
 - Italian herb chicken
- (includes salad, bread and vegetable, coffee or tea)

As a special treat, please bring a small plate of cookies to share for dessert.

Time: 1800-social time (cash bar), 1900-dinner, 2000-featured speaker

Cost: \$25.00 per person (pay at the door)

Reservations and meal selections: Joanne Hancock 330-499-3660, email jhancock@neo.rr.com or Sail Angle by Monday, 1 February, 2016

Speaker: Glenn Swope "Roger Upton"



SCPS WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS!

It is with pleasure that we welcome Matt Komara to our Squadron! Matt attended our December meeting, took our membership pledge, and received his member pin. Matt comes to us with a wealth of boating experience! He has earned his 100 ton license and is often called upon to Captain the Good Time II in Cleveland. He has also spent many summers operating TowBoat US in Cleveland. He is certified to teach safe boating through the ODNR and belongs to the Naval Militia out of Toledo. Matt is interested in taking our USPS Boating classes to learn more about our education program. We hope that Matt's experience with USPS and SCPS is a positive one! Next time you meet Matt be sure to welcome him and share some interesting "boat talk" with him!

We are also pleased to welcome Dorothy Harris, who requested a transfer to SCPS from Palm Beach Power Squadron. She has been a USPS member since 2009 and has completed Seamanship and Piloting. She has decided to stay in Ohio this winter & plans to continue her boating education. Be sure to introduce yourself to Dorothy at one of our next events!



AN EXPERIENCE OF A LIFETIME-NORWAY presented by Lynda & Ken Leque

Attend our 7 January meeting and experience the magnificence of Norway! The Leques recently flew to England to board a Holland America cruise ship to sail across the North Sea and visit 4 southern ports in Norway. Their experience included meeting Norwegian family members and spending the day with them at 3 of the 4 ports. The Leque (Lekve) farm is still owned by family members in Ulvik on the Hardanger fjord, which was their final and most breathtaking destination. Lynda & Ken will narrate and present photos of their amazing trip. Join SCPS for a chili & soup dinner, brief meeting, and presentation on Norway! Tusen takk (thank you).

D/Lt/C Lynda Leque, SN



TAKE ADVANTAGE OF MEMBER BENEFITS!!!

As a USPS member, there are many benefits you can take advantage of. Did you know that you can get 10% off Lifelock, the industry-leader in identity theft protection? USPS members enjoy a premium discount on BoatU.S. marine insurance policies, are eligible for a 50% discount on your Boat U.S. Membership, and a 10% discount on all water towing service levels. For more information, go to the USPS web page and go to Member Benefits.



STARK COUNTY POWER SQUADRON – January 2016

In accordance with the Articles V, VI, and IX of the bylaws of the Stark County Power Squadron, a division of the United States Power Squadrons, the Nominating Committee is pleased to submit the following list of nominations for consideration and voting at our 2016 Annual Meeting to be held 4 February 2016. As noted below, there is still an open position. Please contact any bridge member if interested in serving on the 2016 – 2017 bridge year.

Bridge Position	Candidate
Commander	Kathy Russell
Executive Officer	Karen Long
Administrative Officer	Open
Secretary	Jim Hoffee, SN
Assistant secretary	Joanne Hancock, SN
Treasurer	Tom Hancock, P
Nominating Committee Chair (1 year)	Cliff Long, P
Nominating Committee Member (2 years)	Jim Hoffee, SN
Nominating Committee Member (3 years)	Jim Kosmos, AP
Rules Committee Chair (1 year)	Irene Rodriguez, SN
Rules Committee Member (2 year)	Ken Leque, SN
Auditing Committee Chair (1 year)	Dave Guertal, P
Auditing Committee Member (2 years)	Rick Dunlap, AP

Board of Directors (10 + P/C)	Jim Kosmos, AP
Dave Guertal, P	Joanne Hancock, SN
Matt Komara	Irene Rodriguez, SN
Cliff Long, P	Rick Rodriguez, SN
Fritz Spring, SN	Bill Wood, SN
Jerry Frisch, P	Lynda Leque, SN

Submitted by
 Joanne Hancock, SN
 Nominating Committee Chair



**District 7 Spring Conference
Information Page
McKinley Grand Hotel
April 1st – 3rd, 2016**



The theme for conference is Television's Greatest Hits of the 60's to coincide with Stark County's 60th anniversary celebration.

The hotel room rate is \$89/night plus taxes. Please make room reservations directly with McKinley Grand Hotel: 877-454-5008. Mention that you are with the Power Squadron group to get our rate.

Parking is available in the parking garage across the street from the hotel. The parking garage fee is \$8.00/day with no in/out privileges. If you need in/out privileges, you can purchase a parking pass through the hotel; the fee is \$15.00/day.

Friday's icebreaker food includes: fresh vegetable and dip tray, chips and pretzels, pizza, coney dogs and fixings and root beer floats. A cash bar will also be available.

The hospitality rooms will be located on the hallway near the ballroom as in years past. Please make hospitality room reservations with Tom Hancock at thancock@neo.rr.com. The hospitality room rate is \$150/night.

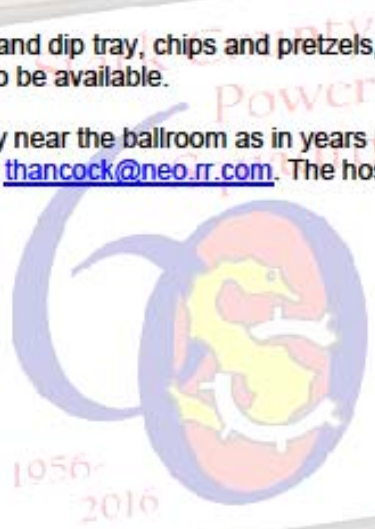
Canton attractions include:
Canton Classic Car Museum
123 6th St SW

Motorcar Portfolio
McKinley Grand Hotel basement

Belden Village Shopping Mall
4230 Belden Village St NW

First Ladies National Historic Site
331 Market St S

Pro Football Hall of Fame
2121 George Halas Dr NW





McKinley Grand Hotel
320 Market Street S
Canton, Ohio 44702
877-454-5008

Registration for D7 Spring Conference, April 1 - 3, 2016

Important Dates:

Registration form and payment must be received by **March 20, 2016**.

Hotel reservation must be made by **March 18, 2016** to secure this rate.

Certificate Number	Rank	First Name	Last Name	Grade	Squadron

Address _____ City, State Zip _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

Is this your first conference? Yes No

Complete package discount price: \$95

	Price	Number	Cost
Ice Breaker	\$20	x	=
Lunch Selections:			
BLT SANDWICH macaroni salad, apple, bottled water	\$35	x	=
CHICKEN SALAD SANDWICH pasta salad, chips, apple, bottled water	\$35	x	=
TUNA SALAD SANDWICH pasta salad, chips, apple, bottled water	\$35	x	=
Dinner Selections:			
ORANGE ROUGHY	\$60	x	=
MEDITERREAN CHICKEN	\$60	x	=
HERB CRUSTED PORK LOIN	\$60	x	=
VEGETARIAN garlic mashed potatoes, honey glazed carrots, tossed salad w/ ranch or Italian dressing, cake	\$60	x	=

Coffee and tea will be served with both lunch and dinner.

A la carte total: \$ _____

Number of complete packages _____ **x \$95 = \$** _____

Total Amount Due: \$

Make your check payable to Stark County Power Squadron and mail with this form to Tom Hancock, 426 Emerson Ave., North Canton, OH 44720-2308.

Questions: contact thancock@neo.rr.com or 330-499-3660

Hotel reservations should be made directly with the McKinley Grand at 877-454-5008.

Room rate: \$89 + taxes + breakfast buffet for 2 per night



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SCPS-2016 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

7 January	Board of Directors/General Membership Meeting North Canton Acme 1830 Chili Cook-off Program- "Cruise to Norway" by Ken & Lynda Leque	3 March	Board of Directors/General Membership Meeting North Canton Acme 1930 with Spring Conference Planning
4 February	Board of Directors/General Membership Meeting / Annual Meeting 1930 Spring Conference Planning	1-3 April	D7 Spring Conference Canton McKinley Grand Hosted by Stark County
6 February	Founder's Day Dinner Primavera's Ristorante See page 4 Speaker - Glenn Swope "Roger Upton"	7 April	Board of Directors/General Membership Meeting 1930 North Canton Acme
17-21 February	USPS Annual Meeting Orlando, FL	9 April	SCPS Change Of Watch La Pizzaria 1800

