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COMMANDER



Cdr Lance Williamson, P

There is a saying that goes something like this: “Already, but not yet.”

I am sitting in the Proctor Starbucks writing this Commander’s column for the Wake Astern and getting ready to attend the Executive Board meeting as the Executive Officer. The Change of Watch will be later in April (after you receive this May edition of the Wake Astern). I am writing an article as if I am the Commander but in actuality I am not yet the Commander. I am so confused. “Already, but not yet.”

The other struggle I am having is that I do not want to “give away” what I want to communicate at the Change of Watch. Once again the “Already, but not yet.” comes into play.

All leaders have a leadership style. There are several types of leadership style but the two main ones are the “servant” leader

and what I call the “positional” leader. The “positional” leader leads from the position of “boss,” “commander,” “president,” “chairman/chairwoman,” etc. This type of leader leads from the perspective of the CEO. Microsoft, Amazon, Starbucks and Marine Service Center are run from a positional leadership style. There is nothing wrong with that style of leadership—provided it is a fit with the organization being run.

A servant leader seeks to lead by helping those serving in the organization to succeed in their tasks. The servant leader is the “cheerleader/encourager” of each person in the organization. The servant leader is willing to take the blame for anything that does not succeed and pass the credit for those things that succeed to those on the “front lines” that made them happen. One of my goals as the Commander of the Tacoma Power Squadron is to be a servant leader and to serve you.

So until next month when I actually am the Commander of the Tacoma Power Squadron I will sign off.

See you on the water.



Lance

Come for the Boating Education...Stay for the FriendsSM

Call to Meeting
General Meeting
Member Appreciation
 May 24th, 2016 (1830 - 2030)
 Day Island Yacht Club
 University Place

Executive Board Meeting
 May 10th, 2016 (1900-2100)

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D/16 WEBSITE

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The website for this year's Governing Board Meeting in Pittsburgh in August is now available. It can be accessed on the National Website from the Member Home page by clicking on Events and Activities then Calendar.

The conference hotel is the Sheraton at Station Square which is adjacent to over 30 shops and restaurants and a few minutes walk from the Station Square Dock of the Gateway Clipper Fleet.

It is recommended to make hotel reservations early as the rooms do fill up quickly. Also listed are daily tours that run from Tuesday 23 August to Friday 26 August. Most events and meal options are discounted until 13 July 2016.

Keep an eye out for the meeting agenda which is not posted as yet. Because of increasing meeting costs, there is now a minimal registration fee of \$35.00 to attend the meetings during the week. However, there is no fee if a member is only attending the formal meeting on Saturday 27 August.

Regards,
R/C Kathleen Lambert, AP
USPS Communications Chair





*D/P/C Otto Rasmussen, SN, CN
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EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT



*P/Lt/C Sandy Carroll, SN
Education Officer*

Hi to all from your co S.E.O.'s Sandi & Otto.

From the Power Squadrons Annual Meeting in Orlando, FL in February came some new developments. The new "O.T. in 3" (Operations Training Course) was well done. It allows the instructor to make a tailored presentation of what Power Squadrons is all about covering essential basics of the organization. The materials made available to the students gives references to all aspects of the organization with specific instructions of how to get the information. I'm looking forward to doing an "O.T." class in the near future.

There is an update in the "Practical On The Water" training program taking effect on April 1st 2016. There will be a free Webinar on the internet on April 16th covering the revised program. This will be covered by the Sail Angel messages being sent out soon. I will cover the details in the news letter next month.

Kevin Kennedy is conducting an "Advanced Piloting" class with Gary Ball from Olympia assisting, at the Orchard Park Health & Rehab facility in South Tacoma. The class is doing well!

At this point Lt Brenda Williamson, P has an ABC class set up at Point Defiance boat house facility beginning on Wednesday, May 4th and running for 5 weeks, including the exam. If you know of anyone who would benefit from taking the Basic ABC Boating Class tell them about it or have them contact Brenda or the S.E.O. for details.

The "reorganization" of the Olympia Squadron with Tacoma has opened some educational opportunities looking ahead. There is early discussion of a "Navigation" class in the works. Also we may be looking at an "Engine Maintenance" class and a "Piloting" class, as well as an "ABC" class for the fall. Stay tuned !!

D/16 EDUCATIONAL SEMINAR APRIL 30, 2016 at the Coast Hotel in Bellvue, WA.

Please see the reservation form in this "WAKE ASTERN" This event is great for all members to take in. You learn what's going on and are able to meet members from other Squadrons and discuss what they are doing, and it's a fun time! They will do an instructor certification update as well, which keeps all our certified instructors up to date.

For all our members if you have a subject or class that you would like to see put on please give Sandra Carroll or Otto Rasmussen a call or email. We are keeping tabs on your requests so we can respond to your needs. 

Cheers, Otto & Sandi

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May 2016

Tacoma Power Squadron

UNITED STATES POWER SQUADRONS®

District 16 Educational Seminar

April 30, 2016 – 0900 to 1600

The **COAST Hotel**, Bellevue, WA

Hosted By: Bellevue Sail & Power Squadron



The Coast Hotel located at 625 116th Avenue NE, Bellevue, WA 98004 is the venue for this year's District 16 Educational Conference. The conference room doors will open at 0830. We ask that you preregister and send a check indicating your lunch selection, which will be catered by the hotel.

This is a one-day discussion session for all things education related. It is open to all squadron members and may be of special interest to instructors and members considering becoming instructors. We have scheduled an Instructor Development Recertification for those who need it.

For those members driving and planning to stay overnight there will be a special guestroom rate of \$99 per night for Friday, April 29 and Saturday, April 30. **To take advantage of this rate call** Shari at 425-709-1102 or email: skimball@coasthotelsusa.com. Also, the hotel has a complimentary continental breakfast in the restaurant for all overnight hotel guests

Please attend the lunch as we have a food & beverage requirement to cover the cost of the meeting room. Choose either of the three lunch selections for \$20:

[] COBB SALAD

Mixed Greens, Tomatoes, Bacon, Chicken, Avocado, Egg, Blue Cheese Crumbles and Green Onion tossed with Bleu Cheese Dressing served with rolls and butter, Starbucks regular & decaffeinated coffee, assorted Tazo teas.

[] LEMON CHICKEN

Lightly breaded, browned and baked, topped with a sweet and tart Lemon sauce. Served with Salad, rolls and butter, Starbucks regular & decaffeinated coffee, assorted Tazo Teas.

() VEGAN CHICK'NPARMESAN

Lightly breaded vegan chicken with parmesan Breadcrumb crust and Pest sauce.

To register for lunch please send a check for \$20.00 and indicate your lunch preference to P/R/C Trudy Brown, AP, 3220 98th Avenue NE, Bellevue, WA 98004-1813, Phone (425) 454 0115. Email trudyb36@outlook.com
Make checks payable to D-16 ED Seminar.
Need lunch count **by April 26.**

Please address any additional questions/comments or suggestion to the agenda to Tom Dalglish, (360) 366-3346 waverleytom@gmail.com or Al Keim, (206) 779-5346 al@keimco.net.

The agenda will be distributed separately.



Annual Education Conference in Bellevue

Saturday 30 April 2016 brings the District 16 Education Conference to the Coast Hotel 625 116th Ave. NE Bellevue, Washington 98004. See signup sheet elsewhere in this edition.

This year's lineup will include sessions on customizing Power Point presentations, as well as converting class instruction charts to local waters. Chapman Award winning instructors will present teaching techniques guaranteed to perk up adult education. Also included is a Radar seminar created by one of our own instructors.

A bit lost with what is required in the on the water segment of education? All will be explained. Instructors who haven't recertified in the last 4 years will have the opportunity to do so. Whether you teach or would like to this conference is an excellent opportunity to stick your toe in the water. There isn't a squadron in the district that couldn't use additional instructors. Make a difference contact Trudy Brown of the Bellevue squadron (one of the nicest people you could meet) and sign on for the day.

Conference Agenda

Contact Trudy Brown for lunch choice trudyb36@outlook.com

0830-0900 Registration 0900-0920 Flag salute, Invocation, Commander's opening comments. 0920-0945 DEO's National meeting report and presentation- 10 ways to fill a classroom. 0945-1015 BOC Requirements, Bob Anderson- There are some changes. 1015-1025 Instructor Crisis, Rick Edel 1025-1035 Reorganize into break out groups 1035- 1200 choose a presentation.

1. What does it take to produce a seminar? Ron Davidson will show us his Radar Seminar. Main meeting room
2. Customize your presentation slides. Rick Edel will show and tell, bring your laptop. Lunch area.
3. Convert your ABC charts into local waters. Jim West Everett SEO will explore the possibilities. Separate break out room.

1200-1300 Lunch Speaker Graham Hunter, Humor the Essential Ingredient. 1300-1430 choose a presentation

4. Recertification. Chapman Award winners Ann Einboden and Bill Ray how to bring class to the room. Main meeting room. 2. Customizing Class slides. Rick Edel, for those who missed it in the morning or want to press on. Laptop hands on adventure. Lunch area.

5. Data Base 2000. Bob Anderson walks you through this indispensable tool. Bring your laptop so you can discover the practical applications. Separate breakout room.

1430-1500 Commander's closing remarks and any items we may have missed. Main meeting room.



P/C Larry Warren, AP

Environmental Report

Proposed Methanol Plant in Tacoma’s Tide Flats

Ok, I’m only going to touch on this subject that has so many up in arms. So for now, the World’s largest proposed methanol plant (one of three in Washington State) is on hold. That’s not to say that the project is dead by any means. The proposed plant is planned to be built on the old Kaiser Aluminum smelter site. The site was bought by the Port of Tacoma in early 2002. The site cleanup took more than ten years and a ton of money to clean it up, after the closure of the former smelter. The facts of what a Methanol plant would cost in terms of natural resources used, pollution caused, and the potential hazards associated with the manufacture and storage of Methanol are not all in. For a lot of people, who have been around the area for many years, watching the changes made for a better Tacoma are not so keen on maybe taking a step backwards. Having a spouse that works in the Port, and who has literally been stuck trying to get out of the Port with the train movements and truck traffic, has a big influence in our household on how our vote goes. Of course we don’t actually get a vote. The fact that it’s difficult under normal circumstances to travel in, out and around the Port area, is something worth considering in the mix with all the other factors. One factor of course would be the estimated 300,000 tons of methanol in storage waiting for transport to China.

I have read many of the news reports that have been published, and in my opinion there seems to be a lot more negative consequences than positive. Something like 14.4 million gallons of water needed each day for the process of converting natural gas to methanol, and what happens to the spent water. Or the 450 megawatts of electrical power that will be required to run the plant and process after start up. One megawatt of power would keep approx. 500 homes running. (this is a highly variable figure, depending on weather, time of day, etc.) anyway that’s a lot of power. Now on the positive side, big money will be spent, some jobs will be created. But for the Environment I’m not sure there is one. Only time will tell whether it is one of those I told you so moments. And on a more personal note our boat is moored less than a mile from the site. With construction that will take years in an already very busy port, well maybe that’s one reason it’s on hold for now? Just more to think about!



MEMBERSHIP

P/C Jackie Mattox. AP

Membership Appreciation Meeting: The May 24th meeting is our membership appreciation night. Invite members you haven’t seen in a while, former members, prospective members, friends etc. Pizza, salad, dessert, plates and flatware will be furnished. So you don’t have to bring anything. Just come and enjoy each other’s company.

Power Squadron dues: United States Power Squadrons (USPS) notifies you by e-mail when your dues are due. You will receive an e-mail from “**unknown**” with a subject line “**Membership Renewal**”. When you open it, it shows from: Member Services nobody@usps.org. The body of the e-mail has instructions on how to pay your dues on line. Don’t know why they send it like this since some of you have probably deleted it. I would have too if I didn’t know it was legit.





Des Moines Rendezvous April 22 - 24, 2016 Hosts Stan & Debbie Wolfe

First, let your hosts, Stan and Debbie Wolfe, know that you're attending. Call us (253) 536-3309 or e-mail (wolfesd@comcast.net) and provide your boat length and arrival date so we can plan your slip assignment. Friday night will be dinner on your own, but your hosts are planning to head up to the Yardarm for prime rib around 7:00 PM. If you'd like to tag along, let us know and we'll collect you up for the stroll to dinner. Get together on the dock Saturday morning for coffee and a light continental breakfast. The rest of the day is yours to enjoy, at least until around 5:00 PM. At that time, we'll get together for our traditional Saturday night potluck. Wake up Sunday, kick the tires, start the fires, and head for home port.

Tacoma Power Squadron's Brownsville Marina Rendezvous May 20-22, 2016

Please join your hosts, Geoff and Nancy Ringstad for more **Fun in the Sun** at [Brownsville Marina](#).

We have reserved the gazebo for Friday and Saturday. If no one reserves the upper park, Harbor Master Jerry said we could use the badminton and horseshoe pit, too!

Agenda

Friday night Appetizer & Salad Potluck at the gazebo.
We will have the BBQ rented for anyone who wants to put something on the grill.

Saturday morning Fruit, pastries, eggs & coffee.

1030: We will be participating in the "Ready, Set, Wear it" campaign. Bring your PFD (pets too) to the gazebo for a group picture. We won't be inflating the PFDs just wearing them. This is to promote boating safety week. "The National Safe Boating Council and Canadian Safe Boating Council sponsor this international event, which is part of the yearlong Wear It! campaign to promote boating safety and voluntary, consistent wear of life jackets."

Lunch on your own, sack races on the lawn (just kidding!)

Saturday night TPS will provide BBQ salmon, please rsvp to bring an appetizer, salad or dessert.
Fun & games in the gazebo.

Sunday morning Pastries & coffee before heading home.

Radio 72 to TPS, or call your host's cell phones for your slip/docking assistance.

We're looking forward to a fun weekend with you!

Please contact Geoff or Nancy to reserve your space; they will coordinate with the marina.

Geoff Ringstad, 360-402-4980, geoffringstad@gmail.com
Nancy Ringstad, 360-628-1238, nancyringstad@comcast.net



Tacoma Power Squadron 2016 Rendezvous Schedule

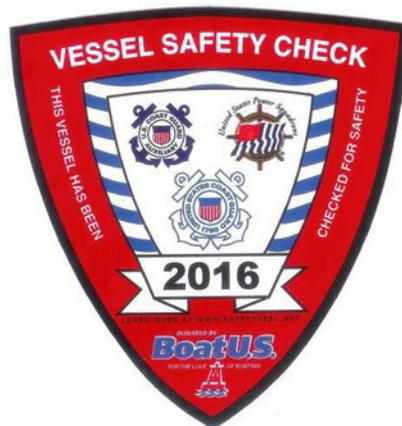
April 22-24	Des Moines 8) boats 206-824-5700	\$5 Reservation fee to Hosts Stan & Debbie Wolf
May 20-22	Brownsville 10) boats	Nancy & Geoff Ringstad Gazebo reserved for 20 th & 21 st (\$50)
June 24-26	Poulsbo District 16 Rendezvous	Becky Arrington 253-381-6226 See Wake Astern for sign up form
July 8-10	Jarell's Cove No Reservations	Karen & Jim Jackson Jackie & Richard Mattox
August 12-14	Bell Harbor 10) boats 206-787-3952	Call Marina to make your Reservation \$5 Reservation fee to Hosts Mike & Jenna Ashbrook
September 2-6	Port Orchard 12) boats	Black Berry Festival at Bremerton \$5 Reservation fee to Hosts Need Hosts
October 14-16	Longbranch Adopt a Marina	Arlu & Bruce Goff

Any Marina with a phone # means you must call the marina and the host or fleet captain to reserve for the weekend. Please call host if attending a rendezvous for planning purposes. Please consider hosting a rendezvous or helping to host.

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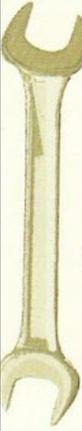
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May 2016



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4 ABC Cls at Pt. Defiance	5	6	7
8	9	10 1900 - 2100 Ex. Bd Mtg *	11 ABC Cls at Pt Defiance	12 Deadline Wake Astern	13	14
15	16	17	18 ABC Cls at Pt Defiance	19	20-21 Brownsville Rendezvous	
22 Brownsville Rendezvous	23	24 1830 - 2030 Gen. Mtg At DIYC	25 ABC Cls at Pt Defiance	26	27	28
29	30 	31				

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June 2016



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 ABC Cls at Pt Defiance	2	3	4
5	6	7	11	9	10	11
12	13	14 No Ex. Bd. Mtg. till Sept.	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24-25 Dist 16 Rendezvous Poulsbo	
26 Dist 16 Renvy Poulsbo	27	28 No Gen. Mtgs June tru August	29	30		

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