LGPS SOUNDINGS January-February 2016



Commander Message

Cmdr. Armand Canestraro, P

Wow, the weather has certainly been anything but winter-like as of late, but then again, the past week of frigid temperatures and negative wind-chill has us hoping for an early spring launch. It appears at least for now winter has finally begun in earnest here in upstate New York. Lake effect snow squalls to our North and West and those biting wind chills have made certain we know what time of year it really is. I trust each of you have had a safe and enjoyable Christmas and New Year's.

Hopefully some of us were able to attend the New York National Boat Show hosted at the Jacob Javits Convention Center in NYC this past week and lend a hand manning the USPS booth while visiting the show. If you are looking for some closer to home outdoor activity in January – you may want to venture out to the Glacier Ice Bar and Lounge located at the Sagamore Resort in Bolton Landing – running Friday through Sunday (weather permitting) on the last two weekends of January. This truly is an unforgettable experience - 18,000 pounds of crystal-clear ice transformed featuring exquisite ice carvings. February of course brings the annual Lake George Winter Carnival, running each weekend the entire month. To download a schedule of events and for more details go to the carnival website located

at: <u>http://www.lakegeorgewintercarnival.com/schedule/</u>. As a reminder, the 2016 Great Upstate Boat Show is fast approaching. The show will again be held at the Adirondack Sports Complex - 326 Sherman Ave - Queensbury, NY 12804. This year's dates are April 1 – 3, 2016. P/C Robert Terry will again be coordinating the Tri-Squadron booth and as always is looking for assistance. Please contact Robert at home on 518-842-1102 or his cell on 518-649-6190. Robert needs our help and would love to have you assist him this year.

Until our next newsletter - stay safe and warm - think SPRING!

WANTED LAKE GEORGE POWER Quality - high resolution digital **SQUADRON** photographs for the **BRIDGE – EXECUTIVE** Squadron Website Photo Gallery Page **MEETING** All photo's should be submitted in landscape - digital jpeg format Wednesday, January 20th to be held at the Mail a CD or e-mail your photo's home of George Williams to Armand at 715 John Paul Ct. Niskayuna Igpsinfo@nycap.rr.com 6:30pm



Now Hear This...

2015 Command Year Merit Mark Recipients

The following Squadron members have earned a 2015 Command year Merit Mark. Each should have received notification that it has been granted, further acknowledging their unselfish volunteer contributions of time and talent to the Squadron. On behalf of the Squadron – Thank you!

Max Gollmer James Grzybowski Marvin Snyder Tina Russell Arlene Gollmer David Hawthorne David Wilkinson David Stafford

Donna Canestraro Anthony Rozek George Williams

2014-15 Squadron Audit Completed

The Squadron Audit Committee of P/C George Williams, P/C James Grzybowski and P/Lt/C David Stafford completed the audit on November 2, 2015. They reported "In our opinion the records of the Squadron contain no substantive errors and fairly represent the overall financial position of the organization." The Squadron wishes to express our gratitude to the three committee members as well as Treasurer Max Gollmer for the time spent in the review process.

Nomination Committee Needs Your Help

The Squadron Nomination Committee is presently seeking LGPS members interested in serving on the upcoming 2016-17 Bridge/Executive Committee. If interested, please call P/C George Williams at 393-6414 to discuss your interest. Without you – there is NO Squadron!

January Bridge/Executive Meeting Location Change

The upcoming January 20th, 2016 Lake George Bridge/Executive meetings will take place at the home of P/C George Williams, 715 John Paul Court, Niskayuna at 1830 Hours (6:30 PM) and **NOT** at the Church of the Good Shepard. For directions, please call George at (518) 393-6414

Upcoming 2016 District 2 Meetings

District 2 Winter Council Hosted by District 2 February 27, 2016 I-84 Diner 853 Route 52 Fishkill, NY 12524-1561 Questions? Call (203) 656-3447 or tpedersen@snet.net (registration form enclosed)

District 2 Spring Conference Hosted by Storm King April 1-2, 2016 Location to be Announced



UNITED STATES POWER SQUADRONS[®] D/2 Winter Council

Saturday, 27 February 2016

Held at the I84 Diner 853 Route 52, Fishkill, NY 12524-1561 PHONE – 845.896.6537



The cost for the day is \$27 - includes full Lunch and breaks. The room is located on the left side of the I84 Diner, park on the left and use either the side entrance or the front.

General Directions:

• From: South. Take the NY State Thruway (Interstate 87) North to Exit 17 (Route 17K) - follow the directions from the West below.

or

Take the Taconic State Parkway to Interstate 84 W - follow the directions from the East below.

- From: North. Take the New York Thruway (Interstate 87) South. Take the Route 17K exit, Exit 17 toward Newburgh/Stewart Airport. Merge onto Interstate 84 East. Take Exit 12 (Route 52 Fishkill). At the end of the exit ramp, turn right and right again into the I84 Diner parking lot.
- From: East. Take Interstate 84 West. Take Exit 12 (Route 52 Fishkill). At the end of the exit ramp, turn left onto Route 52 South. After the underpass, turn right into the I84 Diner parking lot.
- From: West. Take Interstate 84 East. Take Exit 12 (Route 52 Fishkill). At the end of the ramp, turn right and right again into the I84 Diner parking lot.

Registration will begin at 0830

Reservations must be received by 15 February 2016- Late Registration fee: \$5.00

Uniform of the day is USPS casual, Uniform F, or appropriate attire. Bridge will wear USPS casual.

Mail reservations and payment to: D/Lt/C John P. Pedersen, JN 35 Dubois Street Darien, CT 06820-5224 Questions? Call (203) 656-3447 or tpedersen@snet.net				
District 2 Winter Council			Due Date	15 February 2016
First Registrant Name		Grade	Rank/Position _	
Second Registrant Name		_Grade	Rank/Position _	
Address:	City: _		State:	Zip:
Phone:	Squ	adron:		
Email: There will be NO Confirmation of Reservations.				
Will you be attending the FREE afternoon Instructor Recertification Seminar? Yes No LUNCH: \$27 PER PERSON MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: USPS DISTRICT 2 Amount Enclosed				