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Call to Meeting

As submitted by Mary McAllister, S, Secretary
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In accordance with the Beaver Lake Sail and Power Squadron, Inc. bylaw 6.5.7, 6.8 and 9.3 notice is hereby given of the **Annual Meeting**, to be held at Copeland's Restaurant, 463 N 46th St, Rogers, AR on 29 October 2011, commencing at 12 Noon, for the purpose of hearing the annual reports and the election of officers. The following slate of officers are nominated, and have (11.4) signified a willingness and ability to serve.

for: **Commander:** Deanne Mayer, P
Executive Officer: Mike McCauley, S
Educational Officer: P/D/C Thomas Unger, SN
Asst. Edu Officer, P/C Susan Unger, N
Administrative Officer:

Mary Jean Kippenbrock, P

Secretary: Mary McAllister, S

Asst. Sec. Anne Easterly, S

Treasurer: Betty Baureis

Asst Treas: Maureen Musholt, S

Executive Com: (P/C) Susan Unger, N
P/C Nancy Gibson, AP
P/C Mike Musholt, JN
P/C John Nelson, P
Jim Spellman,

Nominating Committee:

Ch: P/C Bob Baureis, SN

P/C Nancy Gibson, AP

P/C Susan Unger, N * 3year term

Rules Committee P/C Gene Gravelle, AP,

P/C John Nelson, P, Barbara Conrad

Auditing:

P/D/C ML Charlton, Linda Shade, Jim Collier

Seek and ye shall find.



Find Us on Facebook!

By Cdr Susan Unger, N

Thanks to new member, Anita Marshall, our squadron now has a presence on Facebook. If you have a Facebook account, just search for Beaver Lake Sail & Power Squadron and you will find us. If you don't have a Facebook account, you can do a Google search for the squadron followed by the word "Facebook" and you will also find us. We have posted photos of the Sail Class and the Steak-o-Rama on the site and plan to post photos of additional events.

The Sail class has brought us several new members and we are pleased to have your new ideas and input! Step up and help us evolve as an organization. It is through your help that we can stay relevant to bring boating opportunities and education to others.



Meetings & Boating Activities

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Saturday 1 October—October Fish Fest!

Time: 1600—(4 P.M.)

Bring a jacket, side dish and \$5 to Tom and Susan Unger's cabin at Lost Bridge for an evening of fun, food, fellowship and fall foliage. Chefs Bob and Mary McAllister will be frying up their special recipe Hush Puppies and fresh caught fillets of fish in their secret coatings. Drinks and place settings will be provided. Callers will take your reservations and let you know what to bring for the table. *Please make note of the following Drive Directions—Hwy 62 N to Garfield then South on AR127 for 4.1 miles. Rt turn onto Lodge Rd for approx. 1/2 mile to Timberline. Left on Timberline. Cabin is 3rd on Left which will be 12586 Timberline).*

14-15 October—D31 Fall Conference and Change of Watch to be held at the Clarion Hotel in Broken Arrow, OK. More information can be had by going to the District web site thru boatbeaverlake.com and using the links.

Mark your calendar: **19 November—Chili Cook-Off 12 Noon—Chambers Island's Lost Dog Beach** just north of Rocky Branch Marina. GPS Coordinates are: N36° 21.055' and W 93°54.827. Start making plans for your pot of chili with trimmings, and don't be shy, ask for a ride if you are without a boat.

And Save the Date: **Tuesday, 6 December** will be the catered Squadron Christmas party. Details TBA. Because of the increased cost of finding acceptable accommodations for our evening Christmas Party, the AO continues to look for the best location to hold this festive evening. More details in the November Bearings.

*******29 October:** *****

Beaver Lake Squadron Change of Watch.

A luncheon has been arranged at the private dining room of *Copeland's Restaurant , 463 N 46th St Rogers*, in the Scottsdale Center, where individuals may order off the extensive menu. Prices range from \$10-\$25 + tax & tip. Please be ready to order upon arrival at **11:30 A.M.** Plan on eating at Noon with the Business meeting and Change of Watch to follow lunch.

This will be the time to say Thank You to those who have served on the squadron bridge and other committees and to reaffirm our support for those who will be serving in the coming year. It takes many hands on deck to keep our squadron active and to offer the many educational courses asked for. Make plans to join in this launching of a new year.

*****Callers will be taking reservations.*****

Please note that all incoming officers, department chairs and committee personnel are expected to be present at the luncheon and to be sworn in to their new positions.

This will also be a great time to greet our newest members and help them to assimilate into our squadron proceedings. Many years ago the Wiviotts and Nears were the muffin makers, cookie bakers and greeters for all newcomers. The ever increasing life members in the Beaver Lake Squadron is a testament to the fraternity that has been offered and shared throughout the years.



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Getting your \$\$\$\$ worth

Whether you are a well seasoned member of USPS or really new to the Beaver Lake Squadron everyone want to know that their money has been well spent.

The educational courses that are developed by the National USPS are second to none. They have been developed so that all boaters can enjoy a safe and fun boating experience. Recent adjustments in policy and procedure now allow the squadrons to offer hands on experience as well as class room knowledge. The Sail Course, for example, not only tells the student what kind sailing one can expect from certain boats but also offers the students the experience of actually handling a sailing vessel. All for a bargain price (very little travel time, no hotel or costly meals, and no time off from work).

But USPS and it units are more than educational offerings. The other two sides which make up the triangle logo are **Civic Service** and **Fraternity**. If one does not take advantage of participating fully in the squadron offerings they are certainly not getting full value for their investment.

The civic service which every squadron is committed to is generally covered by teaching the basic boating course at least once a year and generally twice. After 20 some odd years of this, some of the instructors are pretty well worn through. Membership is not required but is offered to all those who pass ABC. We know from experience that every boat owner knows the “basics” of being a good boater. That’s probably why there are so few takers for that course- not only on Beaver Lake but also across the country.

Now I would much rather write about Fraternity or the making of new friends both here and far away. Certainly we have enriched our lives with the friends we have made in USPS, From the first encounter with Past Chief Commander Wm. C (Jack) Lucy ('74 -'75) at our very first District Conference to the very newest and enthusiastic members of the sail course and hundreds in between, USPS offers the opportunity to serve on committees, learn, unlearn, grow, and have a great time doing something useful.

Tear out this column and give it to a friend who wants to learn more about how to enjoy each and every boat outing. On the back is our web site address where specific phone numbers can be found. Please add your own name and phone #.

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Heavy Weather Sailing.

For more information: visit our web site-

Sail on at Rogers Business Expo

Generally the squadron only has one chance to “strut our stuff” and it is at the annual Boat Show in Jan/Feb. Not so this year. The Rogers Business Conference and Exposition at the Hammonds Center on 1 September proved to be an excellent format to let the business community know that Beaver Lake Squadron is alive and well and has many educational offerings, both for the novice and the seasoned boater. The star of our booth was Len & Geri Oswald’s 10’ Walker Bay functional dingy with its 20 foot mast sporting mail sail and jib. Couldn’t miss it! Our display boat was moored just opposite the area which offered day long seminars and a luncheon. Our easy mannered but loquacious squadron representatives, Mike McCauley, Charlie Hult, Julian Rolandelli (and me!) took advantage of the heavy traffic and invited well over 150 business men and women to enter a drawing for the USPS America’s Boating Course.

With just one squadron member per three hour watch our super sales men garnered six new members for the squadron. There are still calls to the squadron inquiring about the current or next Sail course.

Red sky at night... and it was a sailor’s delight

The last TGIF of the season was held on the open deck of the Gravelles bluff side home overlooking both Bear and Deer Islands. The small group that gathered in the late afternoon to say farewell to Summer was treated to a spectacular sunset which colored the sky with deep red, purple and green hues. On the lake the evening breezes were seen chasing a small sail boat down the lake. There was no thought of going home to cook after consuming the gourmet table offerings provided by those present.

Many thanks to P/C Gene and Kate Gravelle for providing such a spectacular end to Summers reign.

