



# GALAXY

## D23

### NEWSLETTER



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Greetings everyone. I hope all are doing well and getting ready for an active boating season. We have just completed safe boating week and I know squadrons actively participated providing vessel safety exams and educating the public about the United States Power Squadron.



Also just completed is the annual D23 picnic put on by the Titusville Sail and Power Squadron under the leadership of D23 Picnic Chairman John Carlson. The location is spectacular and the weather was perfect. The morning began with the cardboard boat race. Central Florida Sail & Power Squadron won all three classes.

After the boat races lunch was served to the approximately 100 in attendance. It was quite a spread of pulled pork, chicken, hot dogs and corn prepared and served by the Titusville Sail & Power Squadron. D23 members supplied the deserts and as usual they were outstanding. Thanks to Titusville Sail and Power Squadron members for another successful picnic event.

The next significant D23 event is the Fall Conference sponsored by Banana River Sail and Power Squadron. By now you have received emails describing the theme of the event and registration information. This is going to be another great D23 conference and you don't want to miss it. If you haven't registered go to [www.brsps.org](http://www.brsps.org) and register now.

It seems anytime two or more USPS members gather, the subject of declining membership arises. There is not one simple answer to reverse this trend. In fact, the answer is probably different in each squadron. Each squadron needs to determine what works for them and apply it. Maybe it is attracting members through safe boating classes or visiting other organizations or boating clubs and explaining the benefits and fun of membership. If each of us would bring in ONE new member we would be incredibly successful. The national membership group has a program titled EACH ONE, REACH ONE: A 100-day membership drive. They are posting one idea a day that may be helpful in reaching out to potentially new members. These tips are being posted on the national membership committee website and SailAngle group. These tips are also being sent daily to the squadron commanders. Ask yours to forward them on to you. EACH ONE REACH ONE GET ONE.