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DISTRICT 23

GALAXY NEWSLETTER



D23 Administrative Officer

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Greetings,

I would like to first THANK the Daytona Sail and Power Squadron for the hard work in showing us a great time for the Fall Conference. The Holliday Inn Express did a fantastic job and the conference was a great time. I will tell you I truly believe we have "REAL PIRATES" in our ranks!

The Spring Conference is developing and going to be another success story from my perspective. The Squadrons coming together and shared the responsibilities as a District will create a great time. I am honored to announce Lucy Hixenbaugh will serve as our conference chairperson and with her knowledge and experience I feel we are lucky to have Lucy step up. Please keep an open mind and accept a role for your squadron. She will be moving some responsibilities around at the request of the Squadrons but the basic system will continue. We are not going far! We are



going back in the Spring and stay in Daytona but move to the beach side at the Oceanside Inn Ocean Front Hotel, 1909 Atlantic Ave., Daytona Beach Shores, Florida, 32118. The web site is oceansidedaytona.com. The Conference will be March 31 and April 1 with the meeting and change of watch April 1. I hope all will start making plans now.

BUT!!! We have a lot more to do before we get to the Spring Conference. The National meeting will be in Orlando Florida 19-26 February, 2017 at the Rosen Centre. We hope all make an attempt to at least attend some of the days. Most of the committee meetings will be on Thursday and Friday and the Expo, meeting and seminars will mostly be on Friday. The National Meeting will be Saturday February 25. The District is working on having a hospitality room so we can insure the USPS world knows who we are and the fact they are sitting

in the middle of our conference. We will be reaching out to each Squadron to assist in the needs of the room either by donation of libation and food or monetary donations. The District budget will cover some of the expenses.

Back to District Business!!... We will have our WINTER COUNCIL in Daytona Beach Florida at the ARC of Volusia Center, 100 Jimmy Hugar Circle, Daytona Beach Florida, 32117 JANUARY 14, 2017. The Daytona Beach Squadron will again serve as hosts and they will have breakfast before the meeting starting around 0830 and will coordinate a lunch for a minimum cost. We will do a training session for all of the Squadron Officers specifically the newly elected. We will have a session for Commanders and Executive Officer, Education Officers, Administrative Officers, Secretary, and Treasury. I would like to focus on ways to retain members as well as promotions to produce new members. We will be asking all of the breakouts to discuss these topics. We will talk about how other squadrons do business and try to deliver "BEST PRACTICES". All are invited but it is important your squadron officers and hopefully committee chair persons make every attempt possible to attend.

THANK YOU ALL AGAIN FOR ALL YOU DO and KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK!

Be Safe,

Jim