



24th Bridge



United States Power Squadrons



Commander	D/C Richard E. Mahrenholz, JN
Executive Officer	D/Lt/C Keith L. Williams, SN
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Treasurer	D/Lt/C Richard L. Remski, AP
Asst. Education Officer	D/1st/Lt Larry G. Samuels, JN



CHIEF COMMANDER'S REPRESENTATIVE
R/C L. D. Brown, JN

R/C L. D. Brown, SN grew up near Marion, Kentucky. He graduated from University of Kentucky with a degree in Mechanical Engineering. L. D. worked at Kentucky Geological Survey, Lexington Kentucky, and served in the Korean War as a Radar Observer in F-89s.

L. D. worked three years at Carbide and Carbon Chemicals Company, Paducah, Kentucky then 40 years in the Manufacturing Engineering Department of The Boeing Company in Seattle, Washington. His assignments included the KC-135, 707, 727, 737, 747, 767 and B-2 airplanes plus various other projects retiring as a Senior Manager.

L. D.'s USPS experience began when he joined the Bellevue Power Squadron in June 1968. He served in most Bellevue and District 16 offices including Squadron Education Officer, Commander, District Education Officer and District Commander.

His national involvement includes serving on the National Membership Committee, Aide to the National Educational Officer and was Chairman of the National Meetings Committee. L. D. is currently Regional Certifier for the Boat Operator Certification Program's Northwest Region and Chairman of the Committee on Nominations.



Commander's Report -
Richard E. Mahrenholz, JN



It seems impossible that it is time to write this article for the Spring 2008 District 24 Bridge!! This year has literally flown past. It seems only a few short months ago that we were busy planning the 2007 Spring COW and Conference especially the Three Circus. What fun we had!

I know this year's Conference and COW will also be great and I encourage all of you to attend. I know Merrill Bonebrake, and his committee, has been hard at work.

We have tried to do some new things this year. For in-

stance, we have worked very hard to keep our District Conference meetings to a half-day agenda which then allows us time in the afternoon for break-out sessions; seminars, etc. This worked especially well at the Fall Conference where we had three different seminars presented at the same time during the afternoon session. Attendees had an opportunity to choose the area of most interest.

Unfortunately, we are all facing a loss of membership. Anything we can do to make our meetings and conferences more interesting for our members should help us to retain membership. Even though I am going off the District Bridge, I know all the officers would greatly appreciate your input as to other seminars, etc. we might offer at our meetings.

As you know from the Fall Conference, a change in the District COW dates is being worked on for 2009 and this should streamline our yearly agenda and put us more in line with both National and the individual squadrons.

We also made an effort this year to reduce the volume of paperwork involved. All District Bridge Officers have filed all reports and other information electronically. This will allow each officer to make a CD at the end of the Watch Year to pass on to his or her successor. This will greatly alleviate our storage problems. We have also started using e-mail to send our District 24 Bridge to members; this has resulted in a sizeable savings in postage. I'm also happy to see that many of the squadrons are also using this method of contacting members.

We are making plans to begin our visits to the various squadrons for their individual COW's as well as our trip to Dallas in February for the National Annual Meeting. It looks like February will be a very busy month for the District Bridge.

I want to thank all of you for your support and assistance during this year. Whenever I needed help, advice, and guidance, you were all there for me. I really appreciate all of your support.

Thanks to all of the squadrons and members who helped plan the Conferences and meetings. Thanks also to each Squadron for planning your individual COW's. We know how much work is involved in setting up these meetings and we appreciate all of your efforts. This just re-emphasizes the many, many wonderful people involved in USPS. Sandy and I both would like to thank each squadron and members for your hospitality and friendship. It is something we will always treasure.

Please contact me if I can be of any assistance at any time. Looking forward to seeing you in March. . **District Commander, Richard E. Mahrenholz, JN**

D/24 November Bridge...goes "E".

In order to save money for D/24, the 24th Bridge is being printed and mailed to those who do not have an email address. All other members who have an email address will receive it solely via the internet by email.

If you have a newer or changing to a new email address; or want the newsletter sent to a different email, please send it to: P/C Ronald Eberhart, P: ron.eberhart@wowway.com

DISTRICT 24 Proposed Slate 2008 – 2009 Watch Year

The Nominating Committee has spoken with all candidates in regard to the responsibilities involved with the various offices. All have been selected based on their experience, attendance at meetings and functions and their willingness to serve the District as outlined in the USPS Operations Manual.

We hereby present the following list of nominees for election to the indicated offices and committees of District 24 in accordance with the provisions and Bylaws of the District and of USPS.

District 24 Bridge

Commander -	D/Lt/C Keith L. Williams, SN	Wabash Valley
Executive Officer -	D/Lt/C Joe Venhoff, AP	Louisville
Educational Officer -	D/Lt/C Tom Woods, II, JN	Bluegrass
Administrative Officer -	D/Lt/C Donald Ray Cloyd, P	Bluegrass
Secretary -	D/Lt/C Richard L. Remski, AP	Dayton
Treasurer -	P/C Paul W. Durstock, AP	Cincinnati
Assistant Education Officer -	1 st /Lt Larry G. Samuels, JN	Louisville

Nominating Committee

One Year	P/D/C Jack E. Banister, JN	Louisville
One Year	P/Stf/C Sam W. Richey, SN	Evansville Bend
Two Years	Stf/C William J. McDonald, AP	Hoosier
Two Years	P/C Kenneth W. Hauptli, AP	Wabash Valley
Three Years	D/C Richard E. Mahrenholz, JN	Evansville Bend
Three Years	P/C Merrill L. Bonebrake, P	Wabash Valley

Rules Committee

One Year	P/C Thomas E. Davidson, AP	Dayton
Two Years	Lt/C Dale Powell, P	Anderson
Three Years	P/C Sandra W. Mahrenholz, S	Evansville Bend

Audit Committee

One Year	P/C Sandra W. Mahrenholz, S	Evansville Bend
Two Years	Cdr Maureen M. Samuels, AP	Louisville
Three Years	Lt/C Paul K. Fisher, Jr. P	Louisville

Planning Committee

One Year	P/D/C Jack E. Banister, AP	Louisville
One Year	Lt/C Robert A. Lampi, AP	Hoosier
Two Years	Stf/C William J. McDonald, AP	Hoosier
Two Years	P/D/Lt/C Thomas R. Larimer, SN	Dayton
Three Years	P/C Charles W. Hamm, AP	Hoosier
Three Years	P/C Thomas E. Davidson, AP	Dayton

Respectfully Submitted, D24 Nominating Committee,

P/D/C Damon C. Davis, AP	P/D/C David R. Hufnagle, JN
P/D/C Jack E. Banister, AP	P/Stf/C Sam W. Richey, SN
Stf/C William J. McDonald, AP	P/D/Lt/C Thomas R. Larimer, SN

We bid you "E KOMO MAI"



Welcome to this very special Island of Hawaii
located in Terre Haute, IN.
Join us in the hospitality room
to relax after your arrival.

Our Lu' Au is scheduled to begin at 20:00 and will feature light hors d'oeuvres and refreshments. There is a variety of restaurants near by as well as those in the Holiday Inn. *The starting time of the Lu' Au (20:00) will allow adequate time for you to enjoy dinner at the restaurant of your choosing.*

Several activities are planned during the evening and all involve individual and group participation.

1. **Karaoke:** *If you or your group have a favorite song you would like to do (it does not have to be Hawaiian) let us know. Our Karaoke provider has a huge library of songs. Or if you have the CD bring it. This will be a good old-fashioned sing along. While not a talent contest, prizes for various categories will be awarded .*
2. **Hula Lessons:** *A " qualified " hula instructor will be here. Do your stretch exercises and join the class performing the "Dance of Hawaii".*
3. **Hula-Hoop Contest:** *Naturally after you have mastered the hula, the hula-hoop is the next challenge.*

We can guarantee that after participating in these activities you will be prepared for the upcoming meetings and activities Saturday.

Please come and join in the fun!!

Mahalo

Wabash Valley Squadron



SPECIAL NOTICE — CALL TO THE MEETING

In accordance with District 24 By-Laws Article 5; Section 5.4;5.4.2 and Section 5.5 this shall serve as the official notice that the **District 24 Spring Council and Spring Conference Meeting** will be held at the Holiday Inn, Terre Haute, IN Saturday, 8 March 2008 at 0930.

- **D/Lt/C Donald R. Cloyd P, Secretary** **REMINDER - Squadron Commanders must send their list of delegates to the District Treasurer.**

District 24 Spring Council and Conference Meeting Agenda

Friday, 7 March - 1500 -1700 Registration

Saturday, 8 March

0600-0715	Breakfast on Your Own	Hotel Restaurant will be open
0730	Squadron Commanders' Meeting	D/Lt/C Keith L. Williams, SN
	Squadron Education Officers' Meeting	D/Lt/C Tom Woods, II, JN
0800-1200	Registration	
0930	Convene 2007 Spring Council	D/C Richard E. Mahrenholz, JN
	Presentation of Colors	
	National Anthem; Pledge of Allegiance	D/Lt/C Keith L. Williams, SN
	Invocation	Cdr Maureen Samuels
	Squadron Roll Call & Quorum	D/Lt/C Donald R. Cloyd, P
	Approval of 2007 Fall Conference Minutes	D/C Richard E. Mahrenholz, JN
	Approval of 2008 Fall Conference Budget	P/D/C James E. Mattingly, SN
	Adjourn Spring Council	D/C Richard E. Mahrenholz, JN
0945	Convene D/24 2008 Spring Conference	D/C Richard E. Mahrenholz, JN
	Introductions	D/C Richard E. Mahrenholz, JN
	D/24 Bridge; Past D/C's; Past DEO's; First Timers and Guests; Chief's Representative	
1000	Chief's Message	R/C L. D. Brown , JN
	Treasurer's Report	D/Lt/C Richard L. Remski, AP
	Secretary's Report	D/Lt/C Donald R. Cloyd, P
	Admin. Officers Report	D/Lt/C Joseph A. Venhoff, AP
	Educational Officers Report	D/Lt/C Tom Woods, II, JN
	Executive Officers Report	D/Lt/C Keith L. Williams, SN
	General Committee Reports	
	Nominating	P/D/C Damon C. Davis, AP
	Rules	P/D/C P/C Charlie M. Earhart, P
	Auditing	P/C Gwen A. Comer, P
	Planning	P/D/C Damon C. Davis, AP
	Appointed Committees	
	Budget & Finance	P/D/C James E. Mattingly, SN
	Law	D/Lt Kevin J. Hopper, AP
	Personnel	1 st /Lt Ronald Gacsco, AP
	Marketing	P/D/C James E. Mattingly, SN
1200	Recess for Lunch	
1300	Reconvene Spring Conference	D/C Richard E. Mahrenholz, JN
	District Commander's Report and Awards	D/C Richard E. Mahrenholz, JN
	Dismissal of 2006-2007 Bridge	D/C Richard E. Mahrenholz, JN
	Retire D/C Flag	P/D/C Janice E. Elwood, JN
		P/Stf/C Sam W. Richey, SN
	Call for Nominating Com Report	R/C L. D. Brown, JN
	Nominating Committee Report and Election	P/D/C Damon C. Davis, AP
	Installation of Officers	R/C L. D. Brown, JN
	New D/C takes Gavel	D/C Keith L. Williams, SN
	Posting of D/C Flag	P/C Kenneth W. Hauptli, AP
	Introduce New Bridge	D/C Keith L. Williams, SN
	Introduce D/C Staff	D/C Keith L. Williams, SN
	<i>Ceremonial Activities for P/D/C Mahrenholz</i>	
	Present Flag, Shoulder Boards	D/C Keith L. Williams, SN
	D/C Remarks	D/C Keith L. Williams, SN
1415	Unfinished Business; New Business	D/C Keith L. Williams, SN
	Adjourn Spring Conference	D/C Keith L. Williams, SN
	Reconvene Spring Council	D/C Keith L. Williams, SN
	Approve Appointed Committees	D/C Keith L. Williams, SN
	Benediction by District Chaplain	Cdr Maureen M. Samuels, AP
	Adjourn 2007 Spring Council	D/C Keith L. Williams, SN
1500	Installation of the 2008-09 Bridge for Wabash Valley Power Squadron	

**DISTRICT 24 UNITED STATES POWER SQUADRON
 SPRING CONFERENCE REGISTRATION — 7 - 9 MARCH 2008**

RANK: _____ NAME: _____ GRADE _____

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ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE _____

PHONE: _____ E-MAIL: _____

SQUADRON: _____ GUEST: _____

MEALS	Saturday Member Lunch \$24.00	Saturday Guest Lunch \$24.00 ea.	Saturday Banquet \$39.00 ea.	Totals
Number				
\$ Amount				\$

_____ Designated Delegate (conference fee paid by D/24 or local squadron)

PLEASE MAIL REGISTRATION AND FEE TO ARRIVE BY 8 FEBRUARY 2008

MAIL CHECK AND REGISTRATION FORM TO: P/C Kenneth Hauptli, AP
 8130 S. Doberman Street
 Terre Haute, IN 47802
 khauptli2000@yahoo.com
 Phone: 812-299-1857

(Payable to D/24 Spring Conference)

HOTEL: Holiday Inn, Terre Haute,
 3500 U.S. 41 South, Terre Haute, IN 47802
 Phone: 812-232-6081
 Rate: \$ 94 per night + tax - Ask for U.S. Power Squadron rate

REGISTRATON DEADLINE: 8 February 2008

UNIFORM OF THE DAY:

Friday Evening	"Casual
Saturday Conference	Uniform "F", Blazer, or Suitable Attire
Saturday Evening Banquet	Uniform "A", or Suitable Dinner Attire

Note: The meal costs include not only the actual meal fees but all of the hotel costs for meeting room rentals, room set-ups, hospitality, etc.

SATURDAY MEMBER LUNCHEON 12:00 - \$24

Tossed Salad - Rolls

Baked Stuffed Pork Chop , Monterey
Au Gratin Potato

Roasted Fresh Vegetables

Dessert

Coffee, Tea, Decaffeinated Coffee, Iced Tea

SATURDAY SPOUSE/GUEST LUNCHEON 12.00 - \$24

Tossed Salad – Rolls

Lemon Chicken Grilled and served with Pineapple Salsa

Rice Pilaf

Roasted Fresh Vegetables

Dessert

Coffee, Tea, Decaffeinated Coffee, Iced Tea

SATURDAY EVENING BANQUET - \$39

Tossed Salad – Rolls

Roast Prime Rib of Beef, Au Jus

Baked Potato

Garden Peas

Dessert

Coffee, Tea, Decaffeinated Coffee, Iced Tea