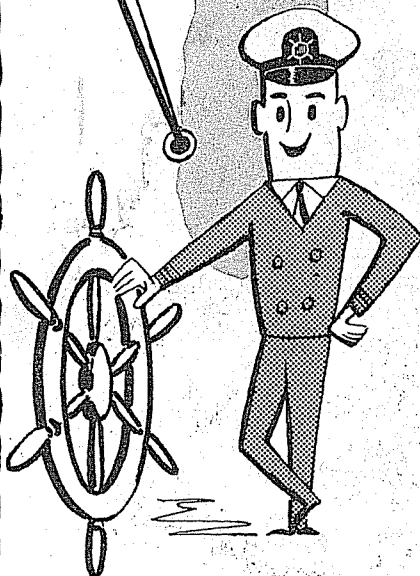


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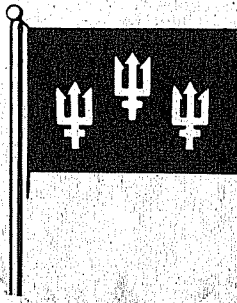
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COMMANDER'S THOUGHTS

WHAT IS BEST FOR USPS

Most of the content of this writing has been paraphrased from the Bridge article appearing in the May 1982 issue of "The Ensign" written by Chief Commander Raymond A. Finley Jr., N.

Due to the adverse decision in the New York cases it has caused USPS to take a hard look at our position and future, Most agree that our greatest desire is to preserve our privacy-be able to set our own course-and to select our own associates.

The issue dealt with sex discrimination. If we eliminate the issue, do we not eliminate the chance of additional law suits of this nature? If we eliminate the issue on our terms, do we not have the chance of preserving our privacy in most all states with the possible exception of New York (New Jersey is still in limbo)?

If we decide to eliminate this issue, we recommend that USPS adopt the Family Plan that was outlined to you at the Fall Governing Board Meeting. The Family Plan permits women to be members but protects our ladies who prefer their present status by permitting them to be Family Members. This would have all Squadrons on the same basis until the Court renders its final decision. If that final decision is against us we will have already women on board in New York (and New Jersey) as well as the rest of USPS. The chances of additional law suits, of this nature, in other states is more remote as we have removed the issue that caused them.

Now let us look at the possibilities if we do nothing at this time. If the court rules against us, New York will be ordered to have women on board and the balance of USPS will be as we are today. The chances of new law-suits will be quite possible, and with New York as a precedent we will be most difficult to defend. We fear USPS will not have the funds to handle another major defense. This could mean all of USPS becoming a public accommodation in due time and all privacy would be lost.

With this possibility in your future your Bridge recommends that you consider removal of the word "male" from our Constitution and By-Laws. If this vote is passed, then to adopt the Family Membership Plan. Should this be done prior to a court final decision, we will have made this move as a private club.

We want you to think this over. We want your input. We may have to move fast or we may have to be patient as we have these many years. We want you to be prepared if we have to move. We want you to have this back ground for any recommendation made at that time. Right now we are in the thinking stage! No vote is planned for May.

Let your District Commander know so he can bring it to us.

Sunday May 9, I received a letter from D/C Richard H Morland, N asking me to "feel the pulse" of the Waukegan Squadron regarding C/C Raymond A. Finley's Jr., N article. As D/C Morland needed a reply prior to May 18, the subect of one solution (The Family Plan) was brought up at our Executive Committee Meeting on May 13. This issue was discussed and voted upon. All were in favor of supporting the Family Plan. All absent committee members were contacted and made the consense favorable.

I urge every member of the Squadron to read The Bridge article by C/C Raymond A. Finley Jr., N which appeared in the May issue of the Ensign.

TALKING IT UP!

I'm sure all of you have heard of the old cliche "Everyone talks about it but no does anything about it." Well now you can do somthing about it. How? By talking about it-Talking about what? By talking about the United States Power Squadrons and specifically the Waukegan Power Squadron. They say a prudent question is one-half of wisdom.

If you should see a boat parked in a driveway or in a backyard in your neighborhood approach the owner at a well timed interval and Talk-It-Up! Tell them of the many educational courses we provide and the advantages they derive which will help to insure safe passage while on the water. Talk about the social activity and the cruises and the comradeship that develops because of these activities. And don't forget to talk about the civic service contribution afforded the various communities by the United States Power Squadrons through our public Boating Courses.

Our prime objective is to increase our membership to 115 members by December 31, 1982. We now have 100 members. Three new members per month would allow us to meet and actually exceed our goal.

LETS ALL TALK IT UP AND SIGN THEM UP !!!!!!!

A week is set aside every year to emphasize to the public to be constantly aware and sustain safe boating practices, to enjoy trouble free boating. Bill Au Coiu our Public Relations Officer; Lynn Stover current Safety Officer; and Ken Miller prior Safety Officer now SEO along with the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary delivered to the Lake County Board of Supervisors a proclamation proclaiming June 6 to June 12 be observed as Safe Boating Week in Lake County Illinois.

Our planned activity concerns a telephone call in discussion program with WKRS where suggestions can be made regarding safety equipment and safe procedures. We are hoping to have R/C Alfred Richter make this phone call. We will receive recognition and publicity for our efforts via newspapers and radio.

Clarence E. (Hoot) Gibson, AP

OF SPECIAL INTEREST

Senate Bill 1174 creates a regional revenue raising unit of government in Illinois called the "Chain of Lakes - Fox River Waterway Management Agency. The possibility of boaters paying "Use" taxes, launch fees at the now free launch ramps, lock fees, anchorage fees and any other fees deemed reasonable, is becoming a reality. Power Squadron Members are not allowed to write the officials as a group because we are not allowed to lobby, however, any individual may write and give his opinion. (From Fox Valley Power Squadron)

The Commander of the Ninth Coast Guard District has installed a toll free 800 line for search and rescue purposes only on the Great Lakes. The line is intended primarily for use by those who do not know which is the nearest Coast Guard Station or unable to reach the nearest Station. The lines are answered at the Operations Center in Cleveland, OH.

As have been past practice, the public should first attempt to reach the nearest Coast Guard Station, as making contact with Cleveland on the 800 number before contacting the nearest Station will only delay the Coast Guard's response. The numbers are: 800-321-4400 in Ohio use 800-362-1033. (From Local Notice to Mariners)

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