



D/C Michael P. Scher, AP has called a District 17 council and conference to be held during the period of 19-21 March 2010 beginning with registration at 1300-1800 on the Delta Queen Steamboat located in Chattanooga, TN.

Article 3, Section 3.1 of the District 17 bylaws states: “The Council shall be composed of the elected bridge officers, the immediate past Past District Commander or the most recent Past Commander willing to serve, the chairman of the General Committees, and the Squadron Commanders, which persons shall be the voting members of the Council.”

Article 4, Section 4.1 of the District 17 bylaws states: “The Conference shall be composed of the Council, the past district commanders of the district who are active members of district squadrons, and the delegates, which persons shall be voting members of the Conference.”

Article 4, Section 4.2.1 further states: “Delegates shall be selected by each squadron from that squadrons active members on the basis of one delegate for each 25 active members in good standing, or major fraction thereof, as of the preceding 1 March, with a minimum of two delegates per squadron.”

Article 4, Section 4.2.3 states: “Prior to each meeting of the Conference, each squadron commander shall submit in writing to the district secretary a list of the squadron’s delegates entitled to vote at such meeting.

Article 5, Section 5.7 states: “At any meeting of the council, 50% of the members of the council shall constitute a quorum. At any meeting of the conference, 25% of the members of the Conference shall constitute a quorum.” “At any meeting of a committee of more than two members, a quorum shall be a majority of its members.”

Please send the names of the squadron voters to the District Secretary, Donald Grotjan, as soon as they are selected. E-mail is: dlgrotjan@aol.com



**Welcome Aboard The Delta Queen
D17 Change of Watch
19, 20, 21 March 2010**

Located in downtown Chattanooga, Tennessee, the Delta Queen Hotel is the last fully operational, overnight passenger paddle wheel steamboat in the country. After logging over two million miles on inland waterways, she was brought to her current dockage on the Tennessee River at Coolidge Park Landing in February 2009. Permanently berthed, she now provides overnight accommodations in the traditional southern style hospitality of the riverboat era. As you cross the gangplank your step back into time guarantees a relaxing and enjoyable weekend aboard a vessel that exemplifies the unique atmosphere of an historic period when the sound of the flowing water is broken only by the merry sound of the steam calliope.

Room choices are King, Queen, Double or Two Single beds. Rooms are located on the main and upper decks, determined by your choice of beds. The cost is \$70.00/room plus applicable taxes.

The Grand Staircase from the Main Deck leads to the Texas Lounge while dining is on the lower level in the historic, finely appointed Orleans room. Being registered in the National Marine Hall of Fame, the boat does not have elevators and is not handicap accessible.

A complimentary breakfast is served to all overnight guests at no additional cost.

To make reservations:

Call The Delta Queen: 423.468.4500. State your room preference and be sure to state that you are with the D17 Conference. Room Rate of \$70/night guaranteed only until 1 March 2010.

PARKING:

Valet parking is available for overnight visitors and guarantees hassle free, secure parking for your vehicle. The fee is \$15.00/night.

Additional parking is located a short walk from the boat at the end of Tremont Street at the Theater Center Parking Lot. Cars may park in this lot overnight for a \$4.00 fee **BUT THIS MUST BE RENEWED BEFORE 9 :00 AM THE FOLLOWING MORNING OR YOUR CAR MAY BE TOWED.**

For more details about the Delta Queen, visit their WEB site at www.deltaqueenhotel.com.

Directions to the Delta Queens' North Shore berth are as follows:



Parking indicated on the above map is on the south side of the river and requires a lengthy walk to the boat.

DISTRICT 17 SPRING CHANGE OF WATCH 2010
 United States Power Squadrons
 The Delta Queen Hotel – Chattanooga, TN
 Hosted by the Atlanta Sail and Power Squadron & District 17
MEAL RESERVATION FORM

Name
 (Print) _____

Other in Party
 (Print) _____

City, State, Zip _____

Telephone _____ E-mail _____ Squadron _____

Friday Night, 19 March, 2010:

Dinner Buffet- Asian Salmon in a Citrus Beurre Blanc
 Sliced Sirloin Topped with a Wild Mushroom Demi Glaze
 Buttered Golden Yukon Mash Potatoes
 Steamed Broccoli with a White Hollandaise Sauce
 Spinach Salad with Dried Cranberries and Warm Vinaigrette
 Dessert
 Iced Tea, Coffee
 # _____ *Tickets @ \$30.00 per person* \$ _____

Saturday Noon, 20 March 2010:

Lunch Buffet - Pasta Salad with Assorted Vegetables in Home Made Vinaigrette
 All American Deli (Thinly sliced Honey Ham, Smoked Turkey
 Breast, Marinated Roast Beef)
 Assorted Whole Grain Breads, Mustard, Mayonnaise, Pickles
 House Made Mesquite Chips
 Fresh Baked Cookies
 Iced Tea, Coffee
 # _____ *Tickets @ \$10.00 per person* \$ _____

Saturday Night, 21 March 2010:

Dinner Buffet- Fresh Green Salad with Fixings and Assorted Dressings
 Herb Marinated Chicken: Pan Seared, topped with Natural-jus
 Slow Smoked Pork Tenderloin: Delicately Smoked and Hand Rubbed
 with Spices and Fresh herbs.
 Wild Rice Pilaf
 Sauté of Fresh Seasonal Vegetables in Olive Oil and Herbs
 Chef's Viennese Display of Sweet Desserts
 Iced Tea, Coffee
 # _____ *Tickets @ \$30.00 per person* \$ _____

TOTAL SUBMITTED \$ _____

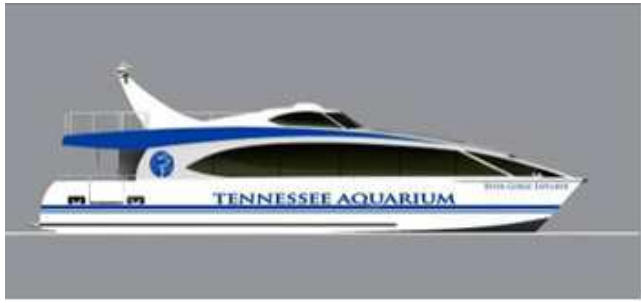
All meals are inclusive of tax and gratuity.

No reservations or cancellations after 17 March 2010

Make checks payable to: **District 17**

Mail check and this completed form to:

Sandra Schoonmaker
 9109 Quail Run Drive
 Chattanooga, TN 37421
schoon67@comcast.net



20 March 2010
2:30-4:30 PM

Tennessee Aquarium River Gorge Explorer Trip

D17 has arranged special rates for a two-hour river cruise aboard the Tennessee Aquarium River Gorge Explorer. Pictured above, this high speed catamaran will move swiftly downstream through the scenic and historic 26 mile river gorge while an aquarium naturalist acts as an on-board guide.

Seventy passengers are comfortably accommodated in angled seating with views through oversized windows and overhead sky panes. Passengers may opt to view nature's wonders from the topside observation deck.

Restrooms and refreshments are available aboard.

Transportation to the boat is available by CAT Water Taxi, \$5.00 round trip, or by walking. Maps and details will be included in your Registration Envelope.

To Reserve Explorer Boat Trip at the reduced rate, submit the form below by March 1st.

Check made out to: D17-River Cruise

Mail to: Sandy Schoonmaker, 9109 Quail Run Dr., Chattanooga, TN 37421

NAME _____
ADDRESS _____ PHONE: _____
CITY _____ STATE/ZIP _____

_____ X \$26.50 = _____ TOTAL

**UNITED STATES POWER SQUADRONS DISTRICT 17
 SPRING COUNCIL AND CONFERENCE 2010
 BREAKOUT SEMINARS/SESSIONS/ACTIVITIES
 CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE
 19-21 MARCH 2010**

**SATURDAY AFTERNOON
 EDUCATIONAL SEMINARS/SESSIONS**

Times	Dining Room	Alternate Room
1300 - 1445	Navigating Rivers, Dams & Locks Seminar Presented by: Michael Scher	Paddle Smart Seminar Presented by: John Smith Location: Bar
1445 - 1500	Break	Break
1500 - 1650	TWRA Roundtable Leader: Marshall Herron	

**SATURDAY AFTERNOON
 SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES**

Times	Activity	Location
1330 - 1400	Delta Queen Boat Tour - #1	Meet in Entry Lounge
1430 - 1500	Delta Queen Boat Tour - #2	Meet in Entry Lounge
1430 - 1630	Tennessee Aquarium River Gorge Explorer Trip (reservations required)	Transportation on your own

SUNDAY MORNING SEMINARS/SESSIONS

Times	Dining Room	Alternate Room
0930 - 1130	Navigating Rivers, Dams & Locks Seminar Presented by: Michael Scher	District/Squadron Officers Brainstorming Session Leader: Jeff Wise Location: Bar