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San Diego, 23-30 August 2015

NATIONAL MEETINGS COMMITTEE

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San Diego's Ready for YOU!



Greetings All,

It's coming! Our Governing Board meeting in San Diego 23-30 August looks like it could be one of the best ever. The venue, the program, and the people will all come together to provide the "wow" factor.

Remember, these meetings are for everyone. We work hard to provide value for every member and friend of the United States Power Squadrons. From the keynote breakfast to the seminars to the Saturday meeting, you can learn a lot. We'll do a little business, but we'll have a lot of fun.

Best of all is the fellowship. We like to say, "Come for the boating education... Stay for the friends." I suggest we come to San Diego for the friends, new and old. Come Fall for San Diego! I hope to see you there.

Chief Commander Robert Baldridge, SN

Seminars Galore & More...

We've a great line up of seminars planned for Friday afternoon. Topics include:

- New USPS website and support— For district and squadron webmasters
- New USPS website—Membership pages
- DB2000 training
- Being a Rear Commander: Duties, Deadlines and Delegating
- Marketing & Branding for Squadrons: Experience the Value!
- Stargazing (Speaker: Ensign contributor Arnold Medalen)
- California Dockwalkers (Speaker: Vivian Matuk, Environmental Boating Program Coordinator)
- Beyond Human Factors: Examining the Underlying Determinants of Recreational Boating Accidents with Spatial Analysis and Modeling (Speaker: P/C/C Ernie Marshburn)
- The Widow Wave (Speaker: suspense author Jay Jacobs)

Stay tuned for more seminar information soon!

All Aboard... See the Sights!









Hotel Rooms

Still need to make your room reservation?

Better hurry, as the special room rate of \$145/night for our block of rooms ends on 12 July. Some nights are already sold out at the \$145 rate and are now \$175. Make your reservation today!

Meals

The best value for meals is to purchase the Member or Social Meal Package, priced at \$167 before 12 July, \$197 thereafter. See page 8 for all pricing details.

Thursday, 27 August

- D/C & DXO Luncheon (Reception 1200–1230; Lunch 1230–1400)
- Administrative, Educational, and Secretary's Department Luncheons (Starting at 1230)
- Dinner Cruise on San Diego Bay (1900–2200)

Friday, 28 August

- Keynote Breakfast (0730–0900)
 Keynote Speaker: Dr. Bruce Appelgate from Scripps Institution of Oceanography (see page 7)
- Executive Department Lunch (1230–1400)

Saturday, 29 August

- Social Reception and Luncheon (1100–1400)
- Members' Reception/Luncheon
 (Cash Bar 1200–1230; Lunch 1230–1400)

 Special Program: Guest speaker from Sea World Conservation
- Reception and Banquet (Cash Bar 1830–1930; Banquet 1930–2300)

All Aboard... See the Sights!

San Diego and the California coast are great places to see the sights, and your National Meeting Committee has organized activities that we hope you will enjoy. For details about these train and trolley tours, see our May newsletter, available on the National Meetings website. To reserve your seat, see the activities registration form on page 8 of this newsletter or the National Meetings website. Sign up by 12 July to enjoy early-bird discounts!

Tuesday, 25 August

• Winery Train Tour (with guide, 1145–1730)

Wednesday, 26 August

- Chartered 6–Hour Trolley Tour (0930–1600)
- San Diego Public Trolley (Hop-on/Hop-off on your own, anytime 0900–1630)



Thursday, 27 August

 San Diego Public Trolley (Hop-on/Hop-off on your own, anytime 0900–1630)

The trolley's a great way to get to the San Diego Zoo. Take the trolley to Stop J in Balboa Park, and be at Stop J by 1615 for your return trip to the hotel. You'll also need to buy a Zoo Admission Ticket.



Friday, 28 August

• Chartered 4-Hour Trolley Tour, with 2 Stops (1000–1430)

News Flash!

Hop-on/Hop-off Trolley tickets and Zoo tickets purchased as part of your activities registration can be used anytime during our 23-30 August meeting, on the day of your choice. Reserve your tickets by 12 July and save \$10 on the ticket price.



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What to Wear

Sunday, 23 August through Thursday, 27 August

USPS casual or appropriate attire

Friday, 28 August

- Day: USPS polo with blazer or blazer with dress shirt and tie
- Evening: No official functions

Saturday, 29 August

- Day: Uniform F
- Men: Regulation long-sleeve white shirt with black four-inhand tie, black uniform trousers, black belt (if worn), black socks, black shoes, or other appropriate attire
- Women: Regulation long-sleeve white blouse with black crossover tie, black skirt or slacks, black shoes, black purse (if any), or other appropriate attire
- Evening:
- Men: Blazer with dress shirt and tie, or other appropriate attire
- ♦ Women: Appropriate attire

Special Incentive

To help ensure we meet our contractual meal quota, your leadership team and Member Benefits Committee have something special planned for participants who register for meal packages.

Meeting Agenda

The detailed Meeting Agenda is available on the National Meetings website, and updates will be posted as they are available.

There are no official functions from Sunday, 23 August through Wednesday, 26 August.

Thursday, 27 August, is devoted to committee meetings. You are welcome to attend and participate in all open sessions. No advance registration is required.

Friday, 28 August, is devoted to department meetings, free seminars, Leadership Development training, and exhibits. If you are a first-timer, you will be invited to enjoy a special reception Friday evening.

Saturday, 29 August, is the day of the official Governing Board Meeting. Everyone is welcome to attend. If you are authorized to vote, please be sure to pick up your voting card before this session.

Forgot Something?

You can find what you need—and more!—at the Ship's Store! The Ship's Store will be open for sale Thursday (0745-1600), Friday (0900-1600), and Saturday (0745-1000). Stop by and see what's new!



Meeting Venue FAQs

The Manchester Grand Hyatt is located at 1 Market Place and is only 3 miles from the airport. The permanent taxi/shuttle stand at the airport is the best option for initially getting to the hotel. The hotel is across the street from the Orange Line Trolley, which provides easy connections to points of interest and shopping (see trolley map, next page).

Hyatt Rates/Check In/Check Out

- What is the deadline for discounted hotel rates?
 The Hyatt has provided a block of rooms for our Governing Board meeting at \$145/night. This rate is available until 12 July, provided rooms are still available. Some nights are already sold out at the \$145 rate and are now \$175/night.
- 2. What are the check-in/check-out times at the Hyatt? Check in starting at 4PM, check out by noon.

Car Rentals & Parking, Taxis

- 3. Can I rent a car? Yes, all major care rental agencies are represented at the San Diego International Airport. Hertz car rental is located in the Manchester Grand Hyatt lobby for your convenience, or the hotel concierge service can assist you by calling one of the local downtown agencies to arrange affordable daily rentals, which will come to pick you up.
- 4. How much does it cost to park at the hotel? Self parking for guests is \$30/night, valet parking is \$45/night.
- 5. Where can I hail a taxi? Taxis are always available on the main drive 24 hours a day, and you can access San Diego's UBER service, if you have the app on your phone.

Hotel Amenities

 Is Wi-Fi available? Wi-Fi access in both the hotel rooms and in the lobby area is complimentary. In-room Wi-Fi is listed as 'Grand Hyatt' access (log in with Name & Room #). Lobby area Wi-Fi is listed as 'Hyatt Lobby' access (no codes required).

- Are handicap rooms available? Yes, the Hyatt has many ADA-compliant rooms. When you make your online reservation, you can indicate that you need an accessible room. The Concierge desk is at your service for ambulatory aids.
- Do all rooms have refrigerators and microwave ovens? Requests can be made either upon check-in, or by dialing 'Guest Requests', for in-room refrigerators, microwaves (charges apply), or emergency sundries you may require.
- May I bring my pet? The Hyatt is a pet-friendly hotel, as are many establishments in San Diego. There is a weight limit, and an extra deposit is required at check-in, at the registration desk. For more information, contact the hotel.
- 10. What kind of recreational facilities does the Hyatt offer? The Hyatt's gymnasium is located in the Seaport tower, on the 4th floor, and is 24hour access, with a room key. The main pool deck is also on the 4th floor, with 2 Jacuzzis, fire pits, and activities for younger kids. There is also an adult pool on the 3rd floor, next to the Salon/Spa for a quieter & more relaxing atmosphere.

Business Services

- 11. How can I send packages to/from the hotel? Packages delivered to the hotel under your name can be retrieved by our Receiving Department. Call from any house phone, or room phone to have them delivered. To have packages shipped out from the hotel, there is a FedEx office (our business center) in the lobby level of the Harbor Tower. Its hours are 7:00am to 7:00pm.
- 12. Does the Hyatt have guest computers? Yes, complimentary guest computers and printers are in the lobby level of the Seaport Tower for a free 15-minute use.
- 13. Is there an Office Depot or other supply store nearby? Office Depot, on Pacific Highway & B Street, is within walking distance from the hotel, for any office/technical supplies you may need.

Meeting Venue FAQs (continued)

Grocery and Other Nearby Shopping

14. Where is the nearest shopping? On the way to the Gaslamp District, there is a Ralph's Grocery Store (full service supermarket) for any general needs and also the Horton Plaza Mall, which has a new Jimbo's market for a more health-conscious selection of goods (similar to Sprouts or Whole Foods). Horton Plaza Mall also has Nordstrom, Macy's, and most popular brand stores.

The waterfront embarcadero area just behind the hotel offers shops and restaurants for a quick walk along the Bayfront and fast dining options. Seaport Village consists of 3 main restaurants, several themed stores and a food court. They also renovated the historic police station building directly next to the hotel, and the Headquarters building has another 4 restaurants, more boutique shops and a Starbucks (closest one, a frequent request).

The Gaslamp District, on 5th Avenue, is the main nightlife & restaurant area. It is very active in the evening, and an easy 10-minute walk from the hotel. Information about close-by dining options will be provided in the July newsletter.

Concierge Services

The Hyatt's Concierge Desk is available to assist you with local activities, attractions, tickets, tours, harbor cruises, directions, and any other inquiries you may have.

The direct line at the Concierge Desk is 619-358-6659. From within the hotel, dial extension 51. Concierge Desk hours are from 0700 to 2000 everyday.





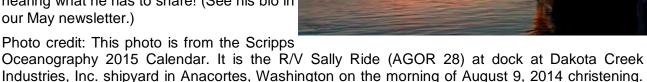


Keynote Speaker

Dr. Bruce Appelgate, Associate Director, Scripps Institution of Oceanography

Dr. Appelgate looks forward to joining us for breakfast Friday morning, 28 August. His keynote address is entitled, "At Sea Aboard Oceanographic Research Vessels: How the Scripps Fleet Serves Science and Society."

Dr. Appelgate brings a wealth of knowledge and experience and you will not want to miss hearing what he has to share! (See his bio in our May newsletter.)



Read more about Scripps's newest research vessel at https://scripps.ucsd.edu/news/navy-scripps-christen-ry-sally-ride.



Leadership Development Workshops

Membership in an all-volunteer organization differs in many ways from our work experience, and the same can be said for inspiring and leading teams in an all-volunteer setting. Learn more about your and others' personal leadership style and how to channel your talents to best serve your members, your squadron, your community, and the greater USPS organization.

USPS volunteer coaches will facilitate the first two parts (LD101 and LD102) of the three-part Leadership Development series on Friday, 28 August. These engaging day-long workshops will help you develop your leadership knowledge and skills, so that you will feel more comfortable leading and your teams will experience more success. Designed for USPS with activities that simulate squadron situations, this outstanding training will help you learn core skills and competencies that are useful for leading in any all-volunteer organization.

For more information and to register, see www.usps.org/national/ot. Don't wait! Sign up today!

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2015 Governing Board Meeting 25-30 Aug.

Manchester Grand Hyatt San Diego One Market Place San Diego, CA 92101

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Board the train across from our hotel at Seaport Village, and enjoy the beautiful coastal scenery as you travel by rail to wine country! Our epicurean adventure begins with a wine and food pairing light (small plates) luncheon at a partner restaurant. Then delight in guided historic short walks into the villages for tastings at the boutique winerles. Beer lovers can enjoy the option of beer tasting instead of wine at one of the stops. (Ticket price covers all costs.) Quantity @ \$132 before 12 July, \$142 after Total				Enjoy breakfast and a keynote address by Associate Director of the Scripps Institution of Oceanography Dr. Bruce Appelgate. Quantity @ \$43 before 12 July, \$53 after Total Chartered Four-Hour Trolley Tour With Two Stops 1000–1430 See San Diego's historic treasures, including Cabrillo National Monument and Old Town, before returning to the hotel. Quantity @ \$40 before 12 July, \$50 after Total			
Wednesday, 26 Aug. Chartered Six-Hour Trolley Tour 0930-1600 Tour local sights before proceeding to Mount Soledad and La Jolla, with stops along the way. Enjoy a guided tour at the Scripps Institution of Oceanography before returning to the hotel. Your tour guide will provide suggestions for lunch on your own at one of the stops.				Executive Department Luncheon 1215-1345 Quantity @ \$44 before 12 July, \$54 after Total Saturday, 29 Aug. Social Reception and Luncheon 1100-1400 Enjoy a charming lunch with a fashion show presented by Chico's.			
Quantity @ \$55 before 12 July, \$65 after Total San Diego Public Trolley Ticket Hop On/Off From 0900-1630 Use your ticket to access the public trolley and hop on/hop off as you tour around San Diego. Quantity @ \$35 before 12 July, \$45 after Total				Members Reception and Luncheon With Cash Bar 1200-1400 Quantity @ \$58 before 12 July, \$68 after Total Reception and Banquet With Cash Bar 1830-2300 Enjoy a wonderful meal and fellowship with USPS members and			

Thursday, 27 Aug.

San Diego Public Trolley Ticket Hop On/Off From 0900-1630

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San Diego Zoo Admission Ticket

Don't miss San Diego's famous zoo. (To take the trolley back to the hotel, be at stop "J in Balboa Park" no later than 1615.)

Quantity __ _ @ \$45 before 12 July, \$55 after Total

Department Luncheons 1230-1400

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Quantity _____ @ \$44 before 12 July, \$54 after Total

D/Cs and DXOs Reception 1200-1230, Luncheon 1230-1400

Quantity _____ @ \$44 before 12 July, \$54 after Total _

Dinner Cruise on San Diego Bay 1900-2200

Enjoy a delicious dinner with a view of San Diego's evening skyline from the water with USPS friends and guests.

___ @ \$76 before 12 July, \$86 after Total _ Quantity __

guests, and get ready to enjoy a local band and dancing!

__ @ \$66 before 12 July, \$76 after Total Quantity_

Convention Meals Discount Package Bundles

All Meals Package M-\$167 before 12 July

Includes Friday Breakfast, Members Luncheon and Saturday Banquet,

@ \$167 before 12 July, \$197 after Total _

All Meals Package S-\$167 before 12 July

Includes Friday Breakfast, Social Luncheon and Saturday Banquet. @ \$167 before 12 July, \$197 after Total

Quantity_

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Total tickets amount due

For RV information, visit usps.org/lc/highwaymariners.

Reserve tickets online at usps.org/php/reservations using a credit card, or mail this form and a check made out to 2015 Governing Board Meeting to USPS Headquarters, PO Box 30423, Raleigh, NC 27622. Call 757-685-6319 for more information or email arlene.anderson47@yahoo.com.

\$10 surcharge for reservations made at the hotel.

To avoid disappointment, please note

Activity reservations must be secured or postmarked by 12 Aug. From 12-21 Aug. reservations can only be made online. After 21 Aug., activity reservations must be made at the hotel. Refund requests made after 12 Aug. will be honored only if the tickets are resold.

All tickets must be picked up at the member activities registration area no later than two hours before the event, except for social luncheon, members luncheon and Saturday banquet tickets, which must be picked up by 1000 Saturday, 29 Aug, Agenda and additional details may be found at usps.org/

Our meeting hotel is Manchester Grand Hyatt San Diego. Call 619-232-1234. Request the USPS rate of \$145 plus tax per night if reserving by phone, or go to usps.org/php/reservations. If you experience any issues with the hotel, call Bob Holub at 516-375-9710 or email rholub@optonline.net.





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Plan to make it an unforgettable vacation when you come to San Diego for the Governing Board meeting. Make your reservations now for your room and activities that begin Tuesday, 25 August and save!

Start with an epicurean adventure on our Winery Train Tour and take advantage of discounts on a variety of guided and on-your-own trolley tours in town and along the coast. From the world-famous San Diego Zoo to historic treasures and the Scripps Institution of Oceanography, there's lots to see and

do! Want to relax? Enjoy the Manchester Grand Hyatt's gracious amenities, and plan to get together with your USPS friends and guests on our dinner cruise on San Diego Bay.

The activities form is on page 8 of this newsletter and on the National Meetings Committee webpage (from the member homepage, click on National Meetings), where you can also sign up for our keynote breakfast, social and members' luncheons, as well as what our host Districts promise to be a wonderful Saturday evening banquet, with great music and dancing! It's all waiting for you. Come for the Meeting... Stay for your Friends!

- R/C Bob Holub, SN, National Meetings Committee Chair

San Diego, here we come!

Join us for the Governing Board Meeting 25–30 Aug. 2015

