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Lt/C Mary-Jane Hinkins with Rob Curren, Patriot Scuba, Occoquan, VA (Credit Gale Alls)

Thanks to Rob Curren of Patriot Scuba for presenting How to Get Started in Scuba at our September meeting and informing us about the mission of www.PatriotsForDisabledDivers.com

October

25 Executive Committee Meeting, 1930-2100

27-29 District 5 Fall Conference, King of Prussia, PA

28 Seminar at W. Marine-Man Overboard P. 5

November

8 General Membership Meeting, 1900-2100

29 Executive Committee Meeting, 1930-2100

29-Dec 2 USPS Board of Directors Mtg, Raleigh, NC

December

2 Holiday Party, P.J. Skidoos, Fairfax, VA P.6,7

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Scheduled Meetings:

Unless otherwise noted, the General Membership Meetings will be held at the BoatUS™ HQ facility at 1900 on the **second Wed of each month** except for the months of Aug, and Dec. The May and Oct mtgs will be combined with other events. Any changes will be posted in this newsletter or on the Squadron website.

BoatUS Headquarters meeting location:

880 South Pickett Street, Alexandria VA 22304

From Capital Beltway, take the VA-613/ Van Dorn St exit # 173, towards Franconia. Turn left onto S. Van Dorn St / VA-613 North. Turn left onto S. Pickett St. Go less than .5 miles and turn in at first the BoatUS™ sign and go to the lighted parking lot in rear. Proceed to the entrance. Press buzzer on right to request entry.

Attention Ship's Store Shoppers!

Our online Ship's Store (<http://nvsp.qbstores.com>) now offers shirts, jackets, totebags and hats with our new 50th anniversary burgee logo. The new burgee has a gold band along the angled edges. So, watch for a sale and stock up on NVSPS shirts to wear onboard and in town, If you need a new nametag, order one from cpdean.com.

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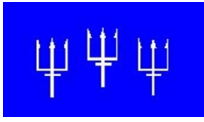
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Commander Sends...

CDR Frederick D. Zugay, JN

I am slowly getting back into the swing of things at home. Cindy and I have returned from a wonderful trip to Alaska. Yesterday we attended and had a nice time at the Squadron's Oktoberfest Picnic. We have the November General Membership meeting on the 8th along with our Holiday Party in early December. Cindy and I are also trying to get in some boating trips before the end of the fall season.

Alaska was a great vacation. We saw all types of wildlife; Bears (Brown and Black), Musk Ox, Reindeer, Caribou, Whales (Humpback, Beluga and Orca), and of course, lots of Bald Eagles. The weather was good with the average daytime highs in the mid-sixties. At Denali National Park we were able to see Mt. Denali (formally Mt. McKinley). We were told only about thirty percent of the park's visitors get to see the mountain as it is usually clouded over. I will plan on giving a presentation of our trip to the Squadron early next year.

The Oktoberfest Picnic at the Fairfax Yacht Club was a nice event. Around eighteen members attended and enjoyed plenty of good food and fellowship. Our Vessel Safety Inspectors also performed a few VSC inspections for the yacht club membership. The Squadron Financial Audit team conducted an overdue audit of the checking accounts.

The November General Membership meeting will be our last one for this year, with our Holiday Party on December 2nd finishing up a busy 50th year for the Squadron. Information on the Holiday party is in this newsletter. If you have never attended the Squadron's Holiday party you are missing one of our great yearly events. We will again meet at PJ's Skidoo's and enjoy their good food and atmosphere. I have heard that Santa and Mrs. Claus may be able to squeeze in a visit with some goodies for those in attendance. I hope to see you there.

With the end of the boating season in our area almost upon us, getting our boat winterized will be around the corner. If you need any information on getting your boat prepared for winter, the squadron membership is a good source to use. You may contact me if you wish and I will see that your question(s) will be answered.

As always, stay safe on the water.

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2018 USPS
Annual Conference
Feb 18-25
Orlando, FL

More Info <https://www.nps.gov/dena/index.htm>



Message from the Secretary

Thanks to everyone who came to Day at the Creek III. We had about 30 people attend and I hope they had a good time. I surely did. It was a nice day and not too hot. We think and hope we finally have our boat running again. If that holds true then I'll write about it in an upcoming issue!

Upcoming items to attend to: If you are a Bridge Officer or a committee chair please get your request for budget in to our Treasurer so he can begin getting next year's budget started. This includes stamps, stationary items, book, class space, etc.

Upcoming events: The Oktoberfest is now past but was great fun with wonderful food and comradery. Besides our meeting on November 8 and the Executive Committee meeting on the 29th, plan to attend the Holiday party which will again be at P.J. Skidoos. Sue had outdone her planning again this year with D.J., dancing, food, cash bar and fabulous food. See information and form in this newsletter.

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Day at the Creek kayakers enjoy the light breeze.
Photo by Lt/C Mary-Jane Hinkins

From the Vessel Safety Check Chair:

Call a certified Vessel Examiner (VE) who provides courtesy safety checks to mariners to ensure required safety equipment is onboard and in operational condition.



More info: <http://www.nvsp.org/vsc.shtml>

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Message from the Educational Officer

NVSPS offers free boating safety seminars at the Alexandria West Marine store

Oct 28 Man Overboard

9:30 AM – 12:00 PM, at West Marine, 601 S Patrick St., Alexandria, VA 22314 (Route 1) www.WestMarine.com Opens at 9:00 AM on Saturday. Store #: 703-459-7020

If you are interested in taking a CPR/First Aid class, please let me know and also contact info@nvsp.org.



Ed Phillips, instructor, Weather Forecasting, West Marine Seminar
Photo by Lt Claire Wyngaard, P

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USPS District 5 Fall Education Conference, Oct 27-29, 2017

Spring Educational Conference, April 5-8, 2018, see www.USPSD5.org

Local Sea Scout Ship 1942 in Search of Two 38-40' Sailboats

Sea Scout 'Ship 1942' needs a couple of larger sailboats in the 38 - 40 size to accommodate the increasing number of teenagers in our sailing program on the Bay. Every three summers the Sea Scout Ship 1942 will have sailed the entire Chesapeake Bay. Sea Scout 'Ship 1942' is a IRS Charitable 501(C)3 Tax Exempt Organization. To learn more about our Local Sea Scout Ship 1942, visit www.SeaScout1942.com

Don't Give up the Ship,
Skipper Tom Ballew
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Sea Scout Ship 1942



Sea Scouts, BSA is a program of the Boy Scouts of America for young men and women ages 14 to 21. For over 100 years Sea Scouting has promoted better citizenship and improved members' boating skills through instruction and practice in water safety, boating skills, outdoor, social, service experiences, and knowledge of our maritime heritage.

Northern Virginia Sail & Power Squadron's 2017 Holiday Dinner Dance December 2



Come one and all to join in the festivities at our annual Holiday Party! Bring your family and friends to this holiday celebration which will be held from 6:00 to 11:00 p.m. on Saturday, December 2, 2017, in the Banquet Room at P.J. Skidoos, 9908 Fairfax Boulevard, Fairfax, Virginia 22030. <http://www.pjskidoos.com/>

The Banquet Room has a private entrance on the left side of the building. The festivities will begin with a social hour and cash bar accepting cash or credit. All house liquor drinks are \$7, domestic beer is \$5, imported beer is \$6.50, and house wine is \$7 (exclusive of tax) Sodas are \$2.50 each. There will be appetizers served at this time. The crab dip is always a favorite! A short business meeting will precede the sit down dinner. You will have a choice of four entrees including the Prime Rib which is always the favorite. After the dinner, the cash bar will continue to be open and there will be dancing to music provided by our D.J., socializing, and maybe even a visit from Santa and Mrs. Claus! I urge you to get your reservations in early because this event comes at a busy time of the year and right after Thanksgiving. The restaurant likes to have the entrée choices ten days in advance of the event so they can order what they need. By popular demand, we reserved the banquet room the evening of last year's holiday party because all the Saturday's for 2017 were already booked except the 2nd.

The invitation with additional information is included in this newsletter and every household should receive a formal invitation in the mail. If you have further questions, please give me a call. My contact information is at the bottom of the invitation. Thanks, Sue Karjala



2017 Oktoberfest at Fairfax Yacht Club

"Business before pleasure"

meant annual audit time for some first.

Photo by Lt/C Mary-Jane Hinkins

Fall 2017 Ensign Magazine is Online

Sail the Greek Dodecanese Islands

Try a trailer DIY project

Explore the Channel Islands National Park, Washington

Travel Lake Champlain



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<http://theensign.org/archive>



Please



Join Us For

Northern Virginia Sail & Power Squadron's

2017 Holiday Dinner Dance

Saturday, December 2, 2017

At P.J. Skidoos

9908 Fairfax Boulevard

Fairfax, Virginia, 22030

6:00 to 11:00 p.m.

6:00: Social Hour with Cash Bar and delicious appetizers.

7:00 Dinner & Dessert. Select your entree option below.

7:30-10:30 Cash Bar, Music, Dancing, and Surprises.

10:30-11:00 Socializing.

Bring your family and friends for this special evening of Holiday Celebration.

Cost for the event is \$45 per person.

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Select an entree choice for each guest by putting the number of their selection next to their name. Entrees include green beans, red potatoes or rice, and salad.

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| 1. Prime Rib cooked med. rare | 2. Chicken breast stuffed with dill
Sauce, mushrooms & spinach |
| 3. Fresh Broiled Salmon with
Honey Dijon glaze | 4. Short Ribs of Beef with mashed
potatoes and green beans |

Name: _____ Phone #: _____

Spouse: _____ Guests: _____

_____ persons x \$45.00 each=\$_____ total

Please make your check payable to NVSPS and mail with this form to Sue Karjala, 13811 Lowry Drive, Chantilly, VA 20151-2815 by **November 26, 2017**.

Questions?? Call (703) 818-8676 or email: skarjala@verizon.net



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Nominations Needed

The Nominations Committee is working on a slate of all squadron position candidates for 2018. We are looking for a Commander, Education Officer, and most other positions with assistants, including Assistant Editor as well as members of several committees.

Please contact Nominating Committee Chairman, P/C Alan Hart, AP with questions, suggestions or to volunteer at 1oldtar@gmail.com, 540-898-6002.



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Boating Safety Articles

Boating Magazine: Boating Safely In Cold Weather by Pete McDonald

<https://www.boatingmag.com/how-to/boating-safely-cold-weather>

US Coast Guard: Filing a Float Plan: with downloadable form:

<http://www.uscgboating.org/recreational-boaters/floating-plan.php>



Happy Squadron Holidays!

In keeping with squadron tradition, you are cordially invited to post a personalized holiday message to all members in the December issue of *of Tars & Terns* in exchange for a contribution of any amount to **the NVSPS Flower Power Fund**. It's a great way to stay in touch with squadron friends, both near and far away and to support the work of the squadron.

Please mail your 2017 holiday greetings (maximum 3 lines) and check payable to the "NVSPS Flower Power Fund" to P/C Dick Durgin by **10 November 2017** in order to meet the newsletter deadline. (308 George Street SW, Vienna VA 22180) Dick will send you a written confirmation of your tax deductible contribution.

50th Anniversary NVSPS Burgee

Orders may be made for the **NEW** NVSPS Burgee. A gold band along each side of the fly recognizes the squadron as a fifty year old squadron in the U.S. Power Squadrons. The official anniversary date was May 14, 2017. Read historical documents at nvsp.org as well as Ships Store for ordering logo items.

In honor of this accomplishment, the squadron taking orders for the new burgees to be delivered at a Squadron function. If mailed, an additional charge will be added.

Size	Price
10" X 15"	\$24.00 ea
12" X 18"	\$26.75 ea
14" X 21"	\$27.50 ea



Name _____ Phone number _____

Email address _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Burgee size _____ number _____ X price _____ = _____

Mail order form P/C Gale Alls, SN H 703-569-1511,

With payment to: 7800 Braemar Way C 703-987-8421,

Springfield, VA 22153 E galeandev@aol.com



Visit
<http://uspsdml.org/>

Birthdays to Celebrate!

JANUARY

- 1 GALE ALLS**
- 10 MARGARET S. BOND**
- 13 CLAIRE WYNGAARD**
- 17 RICHARD CURTIS**
- 17 SUE KARJALA**
- 25 DON. A BENEDETTO**



- Introducing USPS
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- Preparing for Departure
- Departing
- Steering Basics
- Stopping and Holding Position

- Pivot Turn
- Getting on Plane
- Maneuvering on Plane
- Stopping a Boat on Plane
- Anchoring a Boat
- Man Overboard
- Preparing for Arrival
- Docking
- Mooring and Shoreline Landing
- Securing the Boat



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