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Wanted: Editor for the newsletter! Contact a Bridge member if interested.



**Wanted: West Marine Seminar Presenters
Contact Education Officer**

New Bridge Elected

The entire Bridge will serve another term in their current jobs. Please congratulate these dedicated members. They are available to take your questions and suggestions for social activities, education programs, and anything that will improve your squadron.



Member Walt Lazear enjoys winter kayaking in the J.N. "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge mangrove swamps on Sanibel Island, FL.

March

- 24 **Change of Watch Ceremony**, Springfield Golf & Country Club, Springfield, VA. See page 8
- 27 New Exec Committee Mtg GMRFL 7 pm
- 28 -31 **District 5 Spring Conference**, Ocean City, MD
- 30 **Gourmet Pasta Dinner and Silent Auction Fundraiser for Sea Scout Ship 1942**, Page 6

April

- 8 **Gen Membership Mtg**, 7:30 pm AP HQ
- 24 **Executive Committee Meeting**, 7 pm GMRFL

May

Spring Picnic, Gen. Membership Meeting, Kayak Presentation, Vessel Safety Checks, Fairfax Yacht Club, VA. See p 4 and 9

June

- 8 **Calvert Marine Museum Visit and Picnic**, Solomons, MD. See page 5
- 11 **Gen Membership Mtg**, 7:30 pm AP HQ



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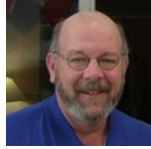
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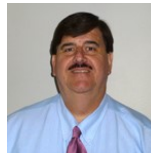
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NEW Meeting Locations:

Gen. Membership Mtgs: : Alexandria Police Hq Community
Rm, 3600 Wheeler Ave , Alexandria, VA 7:30 pm

Executive Committee Mtgs: Mar 27, Apr 24: George Mason
Reg. Fairfax Co. Library, 7001 Little River Tpk, Annandale, VA
22003, 703-256-3800. Small Conference Room. Meeting at 7
pm. Opens at 6:30 pm

Gen Memb *meetings* are on the **2nd Monday of each month**
except no meetings in Aug. and Dec. The May and Oct meetings
are combined with other events on different days. AND Except
June 2019 meeting will be Tues June 11. Changes will be posted
in this newsletter or on the Squadron website.

P/C Gale Alls and P/C Dick Durgin are on
the lookout for new **interesting and educa-**
tional places for our group to visit. Call
Gale at 703-569-1511 or Dick at 703-560-
9106 with ideas!



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5th Member at Large **open position. Contact Alan Hart**

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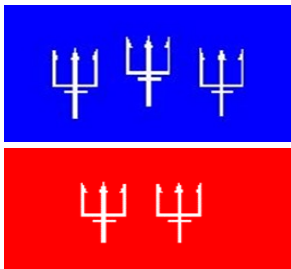
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Message from the Commander & the Executive Officer



Greetings Fellow Boaters,

Well it's nearly spring and time to think about getting back out on the water. Once you get your boats de-winterized and all shined up, it will be time to schedule a Vessel Safety Exam with one of Rich Unis's examiners. Don't forget to ask them for the discount coupons on safety gear at West Marine. Unsure about a mechanical or electronic condition on your boat, please seek out one of more seasoned members who would be only too happy to assist you. You might also request a class in maintenance or electronics with our Squadron or one of the neighboring Squadrons. Contact our Squadron Education Officer, Dean Markussen, to find out what's scheduled.

This season, we would like to schedule some on-the-water social activities, the first of which is scheduled June 8th as a combined dry land and water activity. We will be taking a tour of the Calvert Marine Museum with a follow up cookout at the Segerson home. Plans have been organized to participate in the combined event by land and by water. Preliminary details of this event were promulgated in a Squadron email from Dick Durgin and in the March newsletter (and page 5 of this issue). Please email rjdurgin@aol.com if you would care to join the group for this event. It promises to be great fun!

Now in order to keep the on-the-water activities going, we need to hear from you, the members. Tell us what kind of boat you have, your home port and where you normally pilot your vessel. In general, there are three primary zones; the upper Potomac, the Lower Potomac and the Chesapeake Bay which really has several sub-zones within it. Obviously, not everyone will be able to make all events just due to timing, logistics and cost but we can have a lot of fun with just a few participants.

Don't have a boat, no problem. We'll get you connected with other members who do and who would jump at that chance to take you along on an outing.

Ok, enough from us! Now it's your turn. Send in those comments, ideas and questions to the CO or XO at our emails and we will be glad to provide feedback on any issue you provide. This is your Squadron ... Let's make it the best!

Have a happy and safe boating season!

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Northern Virginia Sail and Power Squadron



2019 Spring Picnic

Saturday 18 May

12:00 to 16:00 hrs.

Fairfax Yacht Club



*Join us for food and drinks
Combined with the May meeting
and a Special Presentation*



Vessel Safety Checks will be available



Photos courtesy Fairfax Yacht Club

Presentation Info on page 9

To help defray expenses there is a \$5.00 charge for each member and guest, payable at door.

Member Name/Guests: _____

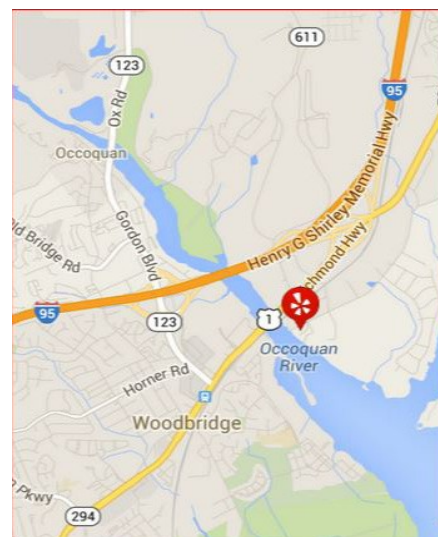
Please inform me what your favorite, appetizer, salad, main dish, or dessert you will be bringing to share! _____

Yes, I can help with Setup ___ Cleanup ___

Call, mail form or email response to Secretary Evelyn Alls,
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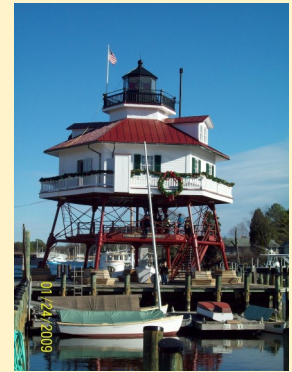
Fairfax Yacht Club, 10721 Colchester Road. Mason Neck, VA 22079, 703-339-8736,
www.fairfaxyachtclub.com/

From the Beltway Driving South: Drive south on I-95 from the Beltway and take the exit for Woodbridge via US Rt. 1 south. Turn left at Furnace Road, which is at the first traffic light. This is just prior to the Occoquan River Bridge. Follow Furnace Road through the railroad underpass (Caution one car wide and a blind turn, sound your horn before entering). Continue about another 75-100 yards where Furnace Road bears to the left and joins Old Colchester Road. Do not bear to the left but proceed straight across. This is a private lane, which leads into the Fairfax Yacht Club. Follow this lane through the gate (it will be open) and park at any open space.



Save the date for NVSPS summer fun!

**June 8, 2019
Calvert Marine Museum Visit & Picnic
hosted by P/C Keith & Janet Segerson
in Solomons, MD**



Credit: Pubdog

10:00 am Meet at Calvert Marine Museum

14200 Solomons Island Road, Solomons, MD 20688

Admission: adults \$9; seniors \$7; children (ages 5-12) \$4.

Check www.calvertmarinemuseum.com for all the interesting things to see including the adorable river otters, Drum Point lighthouse, historic Chesapeake Bay vessels and much more.

1:00 pm Meet at P/C Keith & Janet Segerson's weekend home

across Back Creek from the museum

at 285 Oyster Bay Place, Solomons (Dowell), MD

Driving directions: From Rt. 4, near the Solomons Volunteer Fire Department, turn onto Dowell Road and proceed to the formal entrance of Oyster Bay Condos, across the street from Grandma's Antique Store. Turn right onto Oyster Bay Place to Keith's at #285 (first driveway on left).

Please bring your favorite picnic food to share & folding chairs.

If you choose to come by boat and spend the weekend in Solomons, there are several nice marinas with transient slips, pools, bike rentals, etc. Keith has a pier with electricity and can shuttle folks from the anchorage in their harbor. Please coordinate that with Keith (cell 703-772-8297).

RSVP to rjdurgin@aol.com by May 25 so that we can plan and also send you last minute updates by email.

**Visit the Lighthouse Page of the Museum Website:
<http://calvertmarinemuseum.com/190/Lighthouses>**

Potomac River Cleanup—Gravelly Point— Sat. March 30—10 am - 1 pm

Gravelly Point Park George Washington Memorial Pkwy, Arlington, VA

<https://potomac.org/pc-events/2019/30/03/potomac-river-cleanup-gravelly-point-park>

Volunteer with the Potomac Conservancy, Green Muslims and National Park Service!

Sea Scout Ship 1942 is holding their annual "Gourmet Pasta Dinner and Silent Auction Fundraiser"

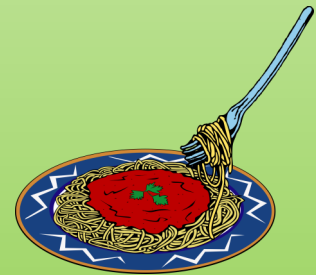
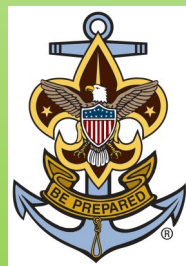
at St. George's Episcopal Church (915 N.Oakland St, Arlington, VA),
evening of Sat., March 30, 5:30 pm

Come support **YOUR Sea Scouts** and enjoy a fine gourmet pasta dinner cooked by "Friend of Sea Scouts" and Italian trained chef, Pasquale Esposito — Freshly baked pasta, bread, and dessert! Vegetarian sauce and gluten-free options available.

Photos of the Scouts in their many activities over the past year will be displayed on the walls during dinner. The **Silent Auction** will take place throughout the evening. Items to be bid on will be on display in the church hall -- such as new binoculars and several new PFDs donated by West Marine, half day sailing trips on the Chesapeake Bay, framed and matted nautical lithographs, and many other items!

Scouts and adult volunteers will be selling tickets for the Fundraiser Dinner. Contact Claire Wyngaard to **reserve your tickets now** for meal planning. Dinner tickets will be around \$25 / person at the door. No tickets needed for participating in the auction. Event is 5:30 pm to approx. 8:30 pm.

Auction Donations Welcome! Contact Mike Taylor, 703 867-7472.



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The Art of Trumpy Yacht Building

The Annapolis Maritime Museum & Park (AMM) is excited to announce the opening of a new, temporary exhibit entitled “A Single Goal: The Art of Trumpy Yacht Building” on Tuesday, April 16. This [maritime museum](https://www.maritimemuseum.org/) exhibit will focus on wooden boat building, with an emphasis on the historical and very popular Trumpy Yachts. More details are online at

https://www.spinsheet.com/news/trumpy-yacht-exhibit-opening-annapolis-maritime-museum?fbclid=IwAR1hEIA7dei8Rd2j-3YHgpUDVnL1FzXaT99Pzv2W_ylGaaIDBFYbajYDcE



Get Certified as a Vessel Safety Check Examiner

Message from Chair P/C Rich Unis, JN

The VSC program is a very important ongoing public service effort sponsored by the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary, the United States Power Squadrons and BoatUS.

Qualified Vessel Examiners (VEs) from both organizations provide courtesy safety checks to mariners to ensure required safety equipment is aboard and in operational condition. The VEs discuss safe boating practices while conducting their reviews to ensure boaters are well informed of their responsibilities. Most importantly, VEs award the VSC decal to boat owners whose vessels meet the minimum safety requirements. **We could conduct far more VSCs but we need more VEs.** If you would like to become a VE, you will need to study the VSC manual and take a quick certification exam, then conduct five VSCs in the presence of a qualified VE before becoming certified and able to conduct them on your own. Come join the program! Contact P/C Rich Unis, JN at 703-777-8378 or at skipperunis@gmail.com

**Congratulations to the NVSPS speakers at the National Capital Boat Show earlier in March:
Dwight Bues, Dean Markussen, Jay Nelson, and Rich Unis,**

One of the ways to start to see how the Squadron works, is to become a Member at Large of the Executive Committee. Anyone can come to the ExCom meetings, introduce ideas, and discuss them. As a Member, you can also vote. So come see what it takes to run a squadron and offer your help. It's your squadron! —Walt Lazear, Member at Large

Sailors



Corner

National Sailing Hall of Fame Nominations Deadline April 15— <https://nshof.org/hall-of-fame/nominate/>

Women' Sailing Conference June 1 in Marblehead, MA—<https://www.womensailing.org/>

Golden Globe Race started with 18 sailors; to end with 5—<https://goldengloberace.com/livetracker/>



Northern Virginia Sail & Power Squadron
cordially invites you to its

52nd Change of Watch

on

Sunday, March 24, 2019

12:30 pm until 4:00 pm

at

Springfield Golf & Country Club

8301 Old Keene Mill Road, Springfield, Virginia 22152

- 12:30 Social time, cash bar
- 1:00 Commander's Welcome
- 1:15 Buffet Luncheon: Sweet Corn Chowder, Roast Pork Tenderloin, Southern Fried Chicken, Bacon and Cheddar Macaroni and Cheese, Skillet Green Beans, Cole Slaw, Warm Rolls and Butter, Seasonal Fruit Cobbler
- 2:30 Change of Watch ceremonies

Uniform or business attire

Driving directions at www.sgccva.org. Handicapped accessible.

Response Card

Cost for each person attending is \$35.00.

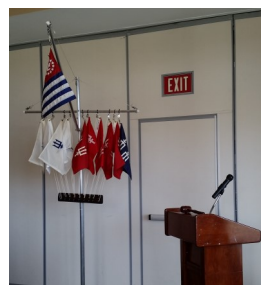
Members attending: _____

Guests attending: _____

Enclosed check payable to NVSPS for \$_____ for _____ attendees

Please mail this response card with check to P/C Gale Alls, SN, 7800 Braemar Way, Springfield VA 22153 by Fri., March 15, 2019.

Direct questions to galeandev@aol.com or 703-569-1511.



Fawcett Boat Supply has a great Seminar Series again this year! <http://www.fawcettboat.com/>
Also see <http://PropTalk.com> — <http://SpinSheet.com> — <http://www.FishTalkMag.com>

Presentation May 18—At the Spring Picnic at the Fairfax Yacht Club, Virginia

Rich Unis will show us how he made his wooden Wood Duck kayak!

Rich Unis will discuss the course he took at the WoodenBoat School in Brooklin, ME, in Aug, 2018, to build a 12 foot Wood Duck kayak. He will give a slide presentation showing the steps he took to build the boat, along with photos of the process, culminating in the finishing, fitting out and launch of the kayak. He will have the kayak at the picnic so everyone can see the finished product!

Download the Course Catalog Here
<https://www.thewoodenboatschool.com/?r=wbstnews.wed.01.02.19b>



Spread the Word about Our Squadron

We all know what great organizations United States Power Squadrons and Northern Virginia Sail and Power Squadrons are, don't we? Then why not **bring a friend or neighbor**, or better yet, more than one, to one of our meetings or social events? Let them get to know what nice, friendly folks we are! Perhaps they have an interest in boating that you don't even know about, OR perhaps they are looking for some group to get involved in. That is why my father and I joined, over 50 years ago, and why I remain a member to this day. USPS and NVSPS are, unfortunately, all too well-kept secrets and you can help do something about that. Spread the word!

— P/C Alan R. Hart, AP

Share your Favorite Photos with your fellow members in this newsletter!



Photos of your boat, your marina, your boat projects, your favorite places to visit by water!

Email Photos with captions to Editor@NVSPS.org

Bay Bridge Boat Show

April 12-14

Bay Bridge Marina, Stevensville, Maryland

www.annapolisboatshows.com/bay-bridge-boat-show

Kick off your boating season at the largest spring in-water boat show north of Florida will feature more than 400 powerboats from 7 to 70 feet. Explore more than 100 exhibitor booths, food court and children's area.

Fun for the whole family.

Birthday Wishes!

April

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NEW MEETING PLACE AND DATES
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 District 5 Spring Conference, Ocean City, MD March 28-31
 Sea Scout Ship 1942 Fundraiser March 30

America's Boating Club of Northern Virginia



