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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 (<u>http://nvsps.qbstores.com</u>) 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.





Commander Sends....

CDR Frederick D. Zugay, JN

This article for the October newsletter was a little challenging for me to write simply because of my travel plans and the deadline for newsletter articles.

I am writing this during the first week of September, a few days before Cindy and I leave for our Alaska vacation. The September General Membership meeting is still a week away and the "Day at the Creek" event is later this month. It is hard to report on events that have not occurred.

We will be in Anchorage, Denali National Park, and then in Seward boarding a Holland America ship that is considerably larger than our boat! Our cruise will stop at various ports on our way to Vancouver. We are looking forward to seeing lots of wildlife, including Humpback Whales, Moose, Musk Ox and hopefully some Grizzly Bears.



Photo by Steve Berardi

I would like to again remind our membership of our Oktoberfest Picnic at the

Fairfax Yacht Club on Saturday, October 14th. This event will be in lieu of our October General Membership meeting. I wrote about this event in the September newsletter, so if you have never attended our Oktoberfest, please consider joining your fellow Squadron members at this gathering for fellowship and good food.

The month of October is my favorite time for boating on the Potomac River. Nice cooler days along with the colors of the fall foliage on the shores make it a very enjoyable ride. It is also a good time for my hobby of photographing the Bald Eagles that live on the Potomac.

Please enjoy the remainder of the Boating season in our area.

As always, stay safe on the water.

CDR Frederick D. Zugay, JN Eaglebs271@cox.net



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so you get reminders about our meetings, gatherings, special events, newsletters postings and boating news Keep following Captain Istvan Kopar at www.KoparSailing.com In Sept 2017, he posted part 12 of his restoration of Puffin! The Golden Globe Race 2018 starts June 30, 2018. Follow at www.GoldenGlobeRace.com



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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.

Call for your boat to get a Vessel Safety Check (VSC) at the

Fairfax Yacht Club

Saturday, October 14

At Oktoberfest (page 7)



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Message from the Educational Officer

NVSPS will offer free boating safety seminars at the Alexandria West Marine store

Sept 30 Emergencies Onboard

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

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Ed Phillips, instructor, Weather Forecasting, West Marine Seminar

Annapolis Fall Boat Shows: www.AnnapolisBoatShows.com **Sail Oct 5-9**

Cruisers University Oct 9-12 Power Oct 12-15

Preview the programs online now

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 TBallew@cox.net 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.*

SAVE THE DATE for the 2017 HOLIDAY PARTY!

2017 Holiday Party plans are underway for Saturday, December 2nd from 6:00 to 11:00 p.m. at P.J. Skidoos, 9908 Fairfax Boulevard, Fairfax, Virginia. We will have a sit down dinner with a choice of four entrees, one of course being their delicious Prime Rib. There will be a cash bar, appetizers, and time for socializing. Invitations will be mailed out closer to the event date and details will be published in the November newsletter. Be sure to invite family and friends to join us for this festive occasion. Questions? Call Sue Karjala at 703-818-8676 or email <u>skarjala@verizon.net</u>.



Thanks to Rob Currer, Patriot Scuba of Occoquan, VA for speaking at our September meeting about Scuba Diving and Boating! Learn more at <u>www.PatriotScuba.org</u> And <u>www.PatriotsForDisabledDivers.org</u>

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Right By Patriot Scuba



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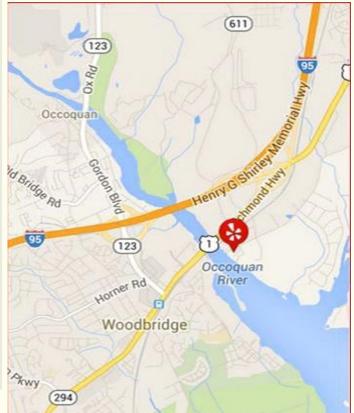
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Hurricane Preparation and Tracking info can be found at www.BoatUS.com/hurricanes

Location of Fairfax Yacht Club





You are invited to NVSPS OKTOBERFEST

11:30 to 16:00

Saturday 14 October 2017

Picnic and Vessel Safety Checks Fairfax Yacht Club on the Occoquan

Plenty of good food is expected. Please bring your favorite dish (International or not) to share. This picnic is combined with an abbreviated "All Hands" meeting. Vessel Safety Checks will be available.

To help defray expenses there is a \$2.00 for each member and guest (payable at door). Please inform us what your favorite, appetizer, salad, main dish, or dessert you will be bringing to share!

| Member Name(s): | |
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| Guest(s) | |
| | |
| Appetizer/ Dish/ Dessert/ Salad | |
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Yes, I can help with Setup ____ Cleanup ____

Call, email or mail your reservation form to: Mary-Jane Hinkins, 443 Indian Banks Rd, Farnham, VA 22460, 303-349-0106, email <u>MJHinkins@msn.com</u>

Fairfax Yacht Club, 10721 Colchester Road Mason Neck, VA 22079, 703-339-8736 <u>www.FairfaxYachtClub.com</u>

Directions to The Fairfax Yacht Club: From the 495 Beltway: Drive south on 195 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. (see map on page 6)



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Message from the Secretary

If you were not at our meeting in September you missed a really wonderful presentation. Claire found a great one this time! I hope he will return. Rob Currer of Patriot Scuba (www.PatriotScuba.com) gave a great talk on his scuba experiences. He encompassed how he got excited at a very young age to what he is doing now. He showed some pictures from his recent dives, and shared his experiences. There are so many exciting things to see and do with Scuba. It was truly fascinating! He also is involved with what sounds like one terrific Not-For-Profit, Patriots for Disabled Divers (www.PatriotsForDisabledDivers.org). He shared how this Not-for-Profit benefits Disabled Divers and helps them to rebuild their lives and trust again. This was truly inspirational.

But for now, Day at the Creek has come and gone so more about that next issue! The upcoming events are exciting. Our International Potluck at the Fairfax Yacht Club Oct. 14th (Oktoberfest) will be fun. It always is! So get cooking and bring your best pot forward to share. December 2nd will be our Holiday Party (Christmas!). Again, this will be at P.J. Skidoos. This has been a really good time and I know Dave and I are looking forward to it. Bring your friends and neighbors and join us!

Get your emails in soon to volunteer to be part of the Bridge this upcoming year either as a Bridge Officer or as a Lt. in one of our committees. The NVSPS is only as good as those who serve. Please think about volunteering your time.

As a final note. I want to say how much Manette will be missed in the coming years here at NVSPS.

Lt/C Mary-Jane Hinkins MJHinkins@msn.com



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.

<u>Please mail your 2017 holiday greetings (maximum 3 lines) and check payable to the</u> <u>"NVSPS Flower Power Fund" to P/C Dick Durgin by 10 November 2017</u> 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 United States Power Squadrons. The official anniversary date was May 14, 2017. Read historical documents at nvsps.org

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

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| | | Springfield, VA 22153 | | E galeandev@aol.com | |
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Birthdays to Celebrate!



November

- 3 Tabb Schaffer
- 5 Dean B. Markunssen
- 12 Guy W. Arnos
- 19 P/C Jere Dando
- 22 L/C Mary-Jane Hinkins
- 24 James H. Moody

December

- 2 Walter D. Lazear
- 5 Michael L. Cordes
- 8 John C. Vonsenden
- 10 Denise A. Dubia
- 13 Paul P. Vangellow
- 15 Charles P. Hurley
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