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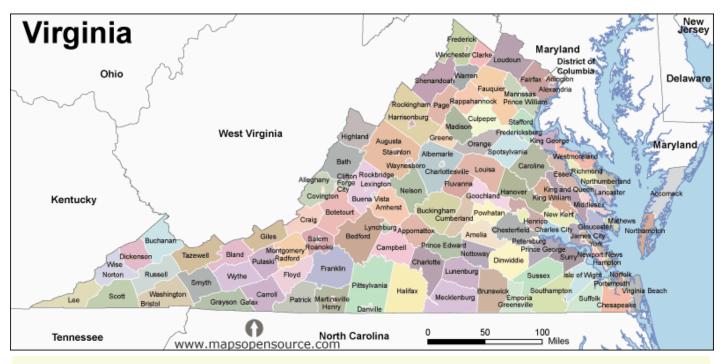
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March 10 Meeting Speaker

VA Dept of Game and Inland Fisheries, Blue Ridge and Northern VA Boating Safety Education, Regional Coordinator, Mary Loose DeViney, Page 4

Meeting Night—Second Tuesday of the months we meet, at the Alexandria Police Department. 7:30 pm Bring a friend!

February

26 Executive Committee Meeting

March

- 10 General Membership Mtg, Elections, Speaker
- 13-15 National Capital Boat Show
- 21 Sea Scout Ship 1942 Fundraiser
- 22 Change of Watch, Fairfax, VA
- 25 **Executive Committee Meeting**

26-29 Mid Atlantic Spring Conference

Other Events

Apr 24-26, Annapolis Spring Sailboat Show

July 20-23, Mid Atlantic Summer Cruise

July 23-26, Summer Council & Rendezvous

Aug 8, S.S. John W. Brown Living History Cruise

Nov. 5-8, Mid Atlantic Fall Education Conference



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New Meeting Information

General Membership Mtgs at Alexandria Police HQ Community Rm, 3600 Wheeler Ave, Alexandria, VA 7:30 pm, until further notice, are:

- on the 2nd Tues of each month except no mtgs in Aug. and Dec.
- The May and Oct. mtgs are combined with other events on different days., normally Spring Picnic and Fall Picnic on Saturdays.

Executive Committee Mtgs, 7 pm: by Conference call until further notice. Contact Executive Officer for conference call number and codes. Normally 4th Wed. of each month. Ask Exec Officer for conference call info.

Photos Wanted!



Next Newsletter Deadline: March15.

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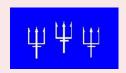
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Message from the Commander



Dear Fellow Squadron members,

A Commander may only serve two terms in a row, so I'll miss this point of view, but hope to be accepted in a different position. The nominations received so far, are on page 8.

March 10 is our next general membership meeting and elections for the Bridge and the five Members-at-Large. It is important that all squadron members try to attend this meeting as it is probably the most important squadron meeting of the entire year. Come meet your leaders with your ideas and wishes for future members. They need to hear from you to meet the challenges and opportunities facing all squadrons in 2020. The new Executive Committee will meet on March 25 to plan the new year.

Please come to the March 10 meeting. NVSPS needs your support more than ever. Our future and our capacity for assistance to the boating public is in your hands.

At your service, Cdr Charles Hurley, JN CDJWorks Dverizon.net



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March 10 Speaker!

Mary Loose DeViney,

Regional Coord., Blue Ridge and Northern VA Area Boating Safety Education, VA Dept of Game and Inland Fisheries. Bring your questions

https://www.dgif.virginia.gov/boating/

Virginia is the 35th largest state by area, includes 3,180 sq miles of water. Virginia's boundary with Maryland and Washington, D.C. extends to the low-water mark of the south shore of the Potomac River. Home of shipbuilders, tech workers, sea food

producers and of course lovers!

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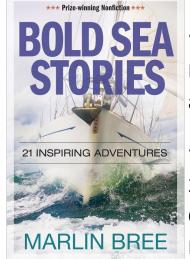
Welcome to one of our newest

members! Denise Robinson: "I am from our nation's capital, Washington, DC, currently living in Fredericksburg, VA. I enjoy model trains, pro sports and traveling and look forward to learning more about boating."



L to R: Commander Hurley, JN; Denise Robinson, P/C; Hart, AP

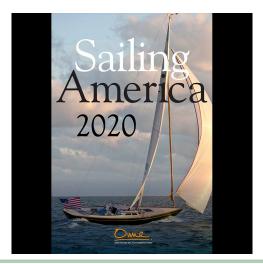
Books



"Bold Sea Stories" by Marlin Bree. Nonfiction. Meet Marlin at www.MarlinBree.com. His newest book - available April 2020 Pre-Order at www.amazon.com

"Sailing America 2020"
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Happy Birthday!

Clijah Devine 12 Tyler Jones 16

Kenneth R. Click 27







Northern Virginia Sail and Power Squadron



cordially invites you to its

53rd Annual Change of Watch

on

Sunday, March 22, 2020 1:00 pm untíl 4:00 pm

at

Arlington/Fairfax Elks Lodge #2188

8421 Arlington Boulevard, Fairfax, VA 22031

- 1:00 Social time, cash bar
- 1:30 Commander's welcome
- 1:45 Buffet Luncheon: Choice of Creamy Chicken Marsala dressed with mushrooms in a Marsala wine sauce served with mashed potatoes and a vegetable medley or Baked Italian Lasagna served with vegetable medley and garlic bread.

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Assorted Desserts	Coffee and Tea	
3:00 Change of Watch ceremonies		
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Cost per person: \$20.00		
Members attending:		
Guests attending:		
Number of Marsala luncheons:		
Number of Lasagna luncheons:		
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Please mail this response card with o	check to P/C Gale All	ls, 7800
Braemar Way, Springfield, VA 22153		
Direct questions to P/C Gale Alls: go	ıleandev@aol.com, 70	03-569-1511

EVENTS

March 13-15, 2020 National Capital Boat Show and Seminars, Dulles Expo Center, Chantilly, VA, See Speaker Schedule Online, Friday 11 am to 7 pm, Saturday 10 am to 8 pm, Sunday 10 am to 4 pm, www.NationalCapitalBoatShow.com. Thanks to the NVSPS volunteer speakers.

March 26-29, 2020 Mid-Atlantic Spring Conference, Ocean City, MD, <u>www.USPSD5.org</u>, Reservations deadline March 15

July 20-23, 2020 Mid-Atlantic Summer Cruise, Smith Mountain Lake, VA, www.USPSD5.org

July 23-26, 2020 Summer Council & Rendezvous, Smith Mountain Lake, VA

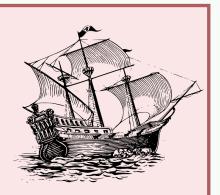
November 8, Mid Atlantic Fall Education Conference, Gettysburg, PA, www.USPSD5.org

P/C Gale Alls and P/C Dick Durgin are on the lookout for new **interesting and educational** places

for our group to visit.

Call Gale at 703-569-1511 or Dick at 703-560-9106 with ideas!

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Mobile Service Identity # assigned to the boat))

- 1. Visit www.MarineTraffic.com or www.VesselFinder.com, and there are other AIS tracking sites.
- 2. In the search field, type in the name of the boat you are looking for
- 3. If there is more than one, choose the one that mostly closely matches, if necessary, go back and choose another
- 4. After you choose, you will see where the ship was last located when it had its AIS on or the last signal that was processed by the website. The sites may not always be up to date. Make note of the MMSI # so you can find it again.
- 5. You may also search by using the map to find who is in a particular area, or search by MMSI #



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Silent Auction and Dinner to benefit Sea Scout Ship 1942 on March 21

Ship 1942 is again having its "Gourmet Pasta Dinner and Silent Auction Fundraiser" on Saturday, March 21, at St. George's Episcopal Church in Arlington, VA. The event will last from 5:30pm to 8:30pm. Anyone wishing to buy tickets, please contact Mike Taylor at 703-867-7472. Gluten-free pasta and bread will be available. If anyone has items they wish to donate to the Silent Auction, please contact Yvonne Brandt at 254-537-2270. Deadline for accepting Silent Auction items will be Sunday, March 15.

Officers Nominations for 2020-2021

The following members of the Northern Virginia Sail and Power Squadron are nominated for the offices indicated for the 2020-2021 bridge year. Elections will be held at the squadron's annual meeting on March 10. **Additional nominations may be made from the floor at that time.** Those elected will be installed at our Annual Change of Watch ceremony on March 22.

Bridge Officers

Commander Patrick J. Sowers

Executive Officer Cdr Charles Hurley, JN Education Officer Lt/C Dean Markussen, AP

Asst. Ed. Officer Position Open
Administrative Officer Position Open
Asst. Admin Officer Position Open
Secretary Lt/C Evelyn Alls, P
Assist. Secretary Position Open

Treasurer P/C Frederick Zugay, JN

Asst. Treasurer Position Open



P/C Alan Hart, AP Lt Walter Lazear, AP Denise L. Robinson P/Lt/C Cathleen Sheffield, AP P/C Richard E. Unis, JN

Rules Committee

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Auditing Committee

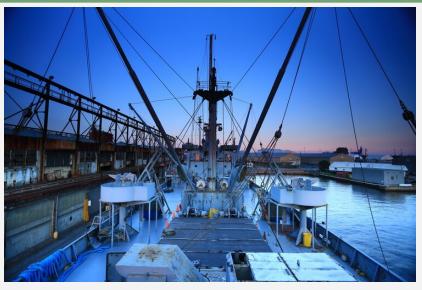
P/C Richard E. Unis, JN P/C Francis Williamson, AP Position Open

Nominating Committee

P/C Jere Dando, AP P/C Alan Hart, AP P/C G. Jay Nelson, AP P/C Richard Unis, JN Position Open

Respectfully submitted, P/C Alan Hart, AP Chair, Nominations Committee 1oldtar@gmail.com, 540-898-6002 Job descriptions are in Bylaws online at www.nvsps.org





S.S. John W. Brown Living History Cruise -August 8, 2020

If you are a student of World War II history and love old ships, consider signing up for the August 8, 2020 cruise aboard the restored Liberty Ship S.S. John W. Brown. The six-hour cruise begins at 10:00 am at the Cruise Maryland Terminal in Baltimore, MD. It will feature music of the 1940's, historical re

-enactments and fly-bys of vintage WWII aircraft with the ship's Armed Guard gunners manning the guns to defend the ship. You will be able to tour the crew quarters, bridge, flying bridge, wheelhouse, radio room, mess rooms, troop berthing areas, stern gun deck and the magnificent 140-ton triple-expansion steam engine.

General admission for adults and children is \$225.00 (\$200 for groups of four or more). Lunch is included. For complete information, check out www.ssjohnwbrown.org, call 410-558-0646 or email john.w.brown@usa.net.

S.S. John W. Brown is one of only two operating Liberty Ships remaining out of 2,710 built nationwide during World War II.

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http://wow.uscgaux.info/content.php?unit=V-DEPT&category=welcome

Come join the program! Contact P/C Rich Unis, JN

at 703-777-8378 or at skipperunis@gmail.com





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