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#### **COMMANDER'S CORNER**



#### ....Cdr Thomas German, S

The squadron offers our deepest sympathy to the German family at this time for the loss of Juanita's son.

#### KNSPS PERSONNEL NEEDED FOR REGATTA WEEKEND



- Boat boys
- Registration
- Welcome PARTY WORKERS TABLE DECORA-TOR, HOR DOEUVRES PREPARER, DRINK PRO-CURER, MISC.AIDES
- DRIVERS IF NEEDED
- Breakfasts –ARLENE MINOTT, CHAIR -Breakfast helpers BREAKFAST SHOPPERS, COOKS
- Saturday dockside Crafts Julie Tompkins, chair -Helpers for Julie
- Banquet @ KIYC table decorations, check-in person
- Sunday goodbye breakfast use up leftovers from Saturday, cooks/servers
- CLEAN-UP IF NEEDED

Contact Joan Yeigh

#### Come to the

# Tompkins Annual KNSPS Family Picnic On

Little Greenwood Creek

Boat Launch Ramp & Dock on Site

Where: 5 Bateau Landing, Grasonville - Prospect Bay

Community — Come by Land or Sea

When: Sunday, 15 July @ 1600 'til we party out

Bring: \$10.00 per person, DISH TO PASS,

SWIM SUIT & TOWEL, CHAIR

**R.S.V.P.** Wednesday, July 11 @ 1-410-827-6230 or jzt-

wst@verizon.net

for food assignment and reservations

Non-alcoholic beverages and main entrée will be provided. If you elect to drink beer or wine, please bring your own.

Since we are in the process of selling our home, we are short chairs, **Bring your own chair** 



#### **Educational Department**

#### ...Lt/C Richard Radlinski, AP

We completed our Spring educational activities in May with two seminars and an *ABC 3* basic boating safety class. On 20 May *Jim Goldsberry, JN* put on a great Paddle Smart Seminar at the Kent Island Yacht Club. Jim is very experienced in paddle sports and has traveled extensively throughout the waters of the US and Canada and has built and restored many different paddle craft. He brought with him examples of several different canoes and a kayak to illustrate the various types craft available. The highlight of the seminar was Jim's compact "bag of tricks" that he takes on his paddling trips. He showed us this relatively small tote bag that contained an unbelievable amount of safety gear, convenience items, cameras, etc. We thought that he would never stop pulling new items out of the little bag to show us.

After the seminar was over, members of the *Kent Island Outrigger Canoe Club* were on hand to give a short class on outrigger canoe handling. A few of us had the chance to "practice crew" on one of their boats and make a few laps in the waters behind The Club.

On 21 May Assistant Education Officer, *John Locke*, *AP* put on a very informative seminar on Radar at the *KI West Marine Store*. We had a good turn-out from both KNSPS members as well as non-members and once again the synergy between KNSPS and our local West Marine store was evident. We will continue to develop and enhance this relationship.

The turn-out for our four-week ABC 3 Boating Course held at the *Kent Island Volunteer Fire Department* course was excellent and included a large group of *Boy Scouts* from our local KI Troop and seven members of the Kent Island Volunteer Fire Department. *Fred Hughes, JN and John Locke, AP* were the primary instructors and did an excellent job teaching the material as evidenced by the fact that all 27 students who took the final exam passed the first time through. Furthermore, the average test score was higher than usual despite the fact that a number of the Scouts were relatively young.

The first class that we have scheduled for the Fall is a seven week Piloting Course that starts 1 October. If you have taken Seamanship, have the "S" grade and aspire to a grade of "P", don't forget to sign up. (Actually, anybody interested in learning more about navigation is encouraged to take this course. To get the "P" grade you need to have the "S" grade but you can always do that later if you don't already have it). See you in September!

#### **EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

#### ...Lt/C Sari Lafferty, AP

Thank you to **Scott and Julie Tompkins, Dave and Lindsay Batcheller, Dick Radlinski**, and **Marty Lafferty** for heeding the call to march in the 2012 Kent Island Day Parade. **Drew Watts**, manager at West Marine, provided us with a Kayak which was affixed to Scott's roof. Marty Lafferty provided us with a Walker Bay dinghy which was towed behind Scott's car. All were decorated promoting USPS. A fun time was had by all and we finished off with a convivial dockside lunch at The Jetty.

Thank you **Jim Goldsberry** for teaching a wonderful Paddle Smart Seminar complete with several canoes, kayaks, and ALL the gear one should consider when embarking on a paddle trip. Jim has a bottomless backpack that would make any magician jealous. Jim Hall of the Kent Island Outrigger Canoe Club along with 2 other KIOCC members allowed Marty Lafferty, Dick Radlinski and I to paddle an outrigger canoe, even inviting us to paddle for the Labor Day around KI race. If anyone cares to take Jim Hall up on that offer, let me know!

The 23 May Delaware River Educational Cruise was in a word, EX-CELLENT. Good food. Great camaraderie. Spirited narration of ATONS, history, sites, etc., by the D5 Education Officer. Hopefully more KNSPS members will attend next year, or help to create a similar event on the Chesapeake.

Sailabration at Baltimore's Inner Harbor was filled with tall ships, gray hulls, the Blue Angels, a USPS booth, good food and lots of fun. Marty and I were the guests of Phyllis and Dick Radlinski aboard their lovely WYE TUG, and joined many KNSPS and D5 members for a truly memorable experience.

Another lovely spot visited in June was Haven Harbour on Swan Creek for a Culinary Rendezvous at Passages. If you missed this luncheon, try and get there sometime soon. It was well worth the trip.

Many thanks to **Bob Schober**, **Howard Bernstein**, **Marty Lafferty**, **John Locke and Marie Murphy** for staffing the VSC Marathon at West Marine. Severe storms, lack of power and high heat couldn't stop this crew from getting out to do Vessel Safety Checks and sign up potential new members.

#### EXECUTIVE OFFICER (CONT)

The District Cruise begins on 20 July and winds up in Baltimore's Inner Harbor for the D5 Summer Council 26 -29 July. Please plan to cruise all or part of the trip, or drive to the easy to reach destinations along the way.

Stay safe and I look forward to seeing you on or near the water real soon.

# **Administrative Department**

...Lt/C Carl Larsen, S

We're looking forward to our summer gettogethers at the Tompkins' and Galassos' and have an exciting roster of speakers planned when Monthly Membership Meetings resume in September. Enjoy the summer, and stay safe on the water.

# Fleet Captain

...Lt Jim Del Vecchio, P

Thanks to those who participated in our very pleasant and relaxing Rock Hall Culinary Rendezvous at Haven Harbour. It's a great venue and one that we'll go back to again for sure. Stay tuned for information about our additional summer fun activities. Meanwhile, good boating everyone!

# Safety Officer Report

#### ...Lt Dr. John Murphy, AP

As we approach the midpoint of the boating season, we see in the news tragedies that could have been avoided had the victims adhered to the basic tenants of boating safety. Multiple rules were broken in two recent boating accidents.

In the first incident, inebriated individuals sped through Kent Narrows after leaving one of the water front bars. Unfortunately, they crashed into the breakwater off of KIYC. This resulted in one death and two others so badly injured that they were rushed to intensive care. Had they a thorough knowledge of their charts this horrendous accident could have been avoided. Recently, the USCG engaged in its fourth year of "Operation Dry Water" (22-24 June) to educate the boating public to the dangers of drinking and driving a boat. Statistics show that one in five boating fatalities involve alcohol inhibition. Also, on the Chesapeake Bay, 80% of fatalities involve inebriated males who use the stern rail as the "head". "Oops!!...Hello Natalie!!!". Regarding the use of alcohol, it is important to know that physiologically alcohol and water are immiscible. Alcohol bonds with water in the blood stream thereby diminishing the flow of oxygen to the lungs. This inhibits a person's ability to breathe sufficiently while thrashing about in the water and it inevitability results in drowning.

This brings us to the use of PFDs whenever one is on a boat. One cannot presage when he might "go over the side", especially on sail boats. So, the prudent boater should always wear a PFD. I find the most comfortable to be the Auto-Inflatable PFDs. The USCG and Navy require all personnel to wear PFDs when aboard their vessels. When I was teaching USNA Midshipmen on the Navy 44s, we would don our PFDs on the dock, board, and



not remove them until we were safely on the dock. Forewarned is fore-armed!! Had the two individuals who disembarked from their sailboat last weekend to swim been wearing PFDs, they would not have jeopardized their lives nor that of the persons trying to save them. Also, regarding that incident, it was mandatory for the Captain to stay with

# Safety Officer Report (cont.)

his vessel or be sure there was someone aboard who knew how to operate the boat. In this case, the Captain jumped in the water to aid the struggling swimmers. The boat drifted out of reach and the two people left on board did not know how to maneuver the boat to affect a rescue. Fortunately, emergency rescue teams arrived in time.

#### The take aways are:

- 1. Alcohol and boating do not mix.
- 2. Always wear a PFD on board.
- 3. Know your charts.
- 4. In channels obey the No Wake rules.
- In 'man overboard' (MOB) situations, stay with the vessel to effect a successful rescue.

Wishing you all "Fair Winds and Following Seas".



# **Co-Op Charting**

...Lt Bill Walker, P

Following up on all of the information disseminated at this year's NOAA Workshop, we'd like to see if we can organize a group of KNSPS Members to conduct a co-op charting activity this fall. Interested? Please e-mail me at wahka@atlanticbb.net.

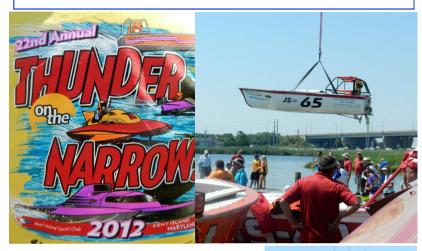
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### **Kent Island Day Parade**



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#### **Thunder on the Narrows**





These merchants have made generous contributions to aid KNSPS in fulfilling its mission to the community to educate boaters and make the Chesapeake Bay a safer place for all.

Annie's Paramount Steak House 500 Kent Narrows Way North Grasonville, MD 21638 (410) 827-7103 Hemingway's 357 Pier One Road Stevensville, MD 21666 (410) 643-CRAB

ARV Enterprises, Inc. Annapolis RV Center 117 Rental Lane Grasonville, MD 21638 Hurricane Awning & Canvas 500 Piney Narrows Rd Chester, MD 21619 (410) 643-7840

Bay Bridge Marina 357 Pier One Road Stevensville, Md. 21666 Marina 410-643-3162 Restaurant 410-604-0999 Island Athletic Club 430 Kent Narrows Way North Grasonville, MD 21638 (410) 827-5527

Chesapeake Whalertowne 108 Hess Frontage Road Grasonville, MD 21638 Island Eye Care Dr. Tim Barr, Optometrist 374 Thompson Creek Mall Stevensville, MD 21666 (410) 604-0100

Fisherman's Inn & Crabdeck 3116 Main Street Grasonville, MD 21638 Island Flowers & Flavors 1650 Postal Road Chester, MD 21619 410-604-2115



Island Self Storage 2205 Main Street Chester, MD 21619 (410) 643-8720

Jeff's Bodyshop 2325 Main Street Chester, MD 21619 These merchants have made generous contributions to aid KNSPS in fulfilling its mission to the community to educate boaters and make the Chesapeake Bay a safer place for all.

Kent Island True Value Hardware #26 Kent Towne Market Chester, MD 21619 (410) 643-3500

Pizza Hut – Kent Island Kent Island Shopping Center Stevensville, MD 21666 (410) 643-2700

Kentmorr Restaurant & Crab House 910 Kentmorr Road Stevensville, MD 21666 (410) 643-2263

TNT Jewelers LLC. 500 Abruzzi Drive, Suite C Chester, MD 21619 (410) 643-7655

L & B Marine Supply 124 Kent Landing Stevensville, MD 21666 (410) 643-3600

Western Auto 1406 Main Street Stevensville, MD 21666 (410) 643-5572

Oh My Chocolate Coffee/Ice Cream Red Apple Plaza Chester, MD 21619 (410) 643-7111

Young's Yacht Service 207 Tackle Circle Chester, MD 21619 (410) 643-3441

Parks Tire & Auto Service 3630 Main Street Grasonville, MD 21638 (410) 827-7766



Paula's Fine Jewelry 1607 Postal Road Chester, MD 21619 410-643-8040

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# Helping the Community National Relay on Memorial Day



Thanks to safety boat captains Bob Schober and Van LaFermine and their first-mates Lisa and Sue for joining Cdr Tom German, Juanita, and Mary Lou Dulina in accompanying two Kent Island Outrigger Canoe Club (KIOCC) outriggers with ex-Navy Seals as they crossed the Chesapeake Bay as part of the Carry the Load National Relay on Memorial Day.

One of the KIOCC canoes being rowed by ex-Navy seals is protected on both sides by KNSPS boat Captain Van LaFermine and Bob Schober.



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# **Helping the Community**







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### **KIOCC Stand-Up Paddle & Canoe Race**







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#### Culinary Cruise Haven Harbour, Rock Hall, MD—23 June



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## National Safe Boating Week 26 May—Annapolis City Dock





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# NOAA Co-Op Charting Workshop 5 May—Norfolk, VA









#### **Ladies Lunch Bunch**

The <u>Ladies' Lunches Out</u> are open to all – members, past members, interesting friends and visitors!

Summer has arrived and the hot weather is coming, so on 11 July at noon (12:00) we'll meet at **Bridges** in Kent Narrows. I have never been to this restaurant, but I have heard that dining on the porch is wonderful!

Join the Lunch Bunch at noon (12:00) on 8 August at <u>For Seasons</u> in Rainbow Plaza, Chester. Come enjoy good food and friendly service and a "bunch" of friendly ladies.

As usual there is no agenda – just fun for all who attend!

If you need directions or have questions, call me or send me an email. Let me know you're coming so I can give a "heads up" to the folks at the restaurant.



Joan Yeigh 410-643-2106 or jyeigh@verizon.net

# **Vessel Safety Exams**

...Lt Bob Schober, P

Thanks to Howard Bernstein, Marty Lafferty, John Locke, and Marie Murphy helping to staff our VSC Marathon at West Marine of Kent Island. Also, thank you to USCGA Flotilla Commander Greg Stottlemyer for joining us. We con



mander Greg Stottlemyer for joining us. We conducted 6 VSCs and gathered contact info from 9 prospective members.

# **Kayaking Weekend**



Participating L to R are Barbara & John Locke, Paul Zarachowicz, Janice & Bob Bloodworth, Carl Larsen, Phyllis & Dick Radliski, Jim Goldsberry, Tulinda Larsen, and Marty Lafferty.



#### What's Happening in District 5



If you'd like to enjoy a terrific power squadron tradition in the most convenient way possible, this year's D/5 SUMMER CRUISE, RENDEZVOUS, and COUNCIL MEETING are perfect for Kent Narrows Sail & Power Squadron (KNSPS) Members.

This is also the ideal way to culminate the observance of our first-ever SENIOR BOATERS SAFETY AWARENESS MONTH, set for July

2012. (Please check-out www.seniorboatersofamerica.com online).

With the close proximity to KNSPS of each element within this summer's District 5 main event, you can cherry-pick just those activities in which you'd most like to partake and attend by boat or by car. Or you can choose to join us for the entire event, planned especially to be very attractive for those who haven't previously participated in a DISTRICT 5 CRUISE.

It all begins on Saturday 21 July with a rendezvous at D/5Cruise Chair John Wilmot's home in Glebe Bay on the South River featuring a crab-feast and beer-tasting party.

From there we go to Haven Harbour at Rock Hall on Sunday –if you missed the KNSPS June Culinary Rendezvous there, this is a great chance to make up for it. Haven Harbour Marina is a beautiful venue on Swan Creek, and we'll be enjoying an afternoon barbecue there on 22 July.

On Monday 23 July, we'll have a swimming party and dinghy poker-run at Haven Harbour followed by dinner in a Rock Hall restaurant. Totally fun!

We'll head from Haven Harbour to Great Oak Landing Marina on Fair-lee Creek on Tuesday 24 July where we'll have a seafood cook-out on the beach – plus be able to enjoy pool, golf, and tennis at this terrific resort.

On Wednesday 25 July, we'll continue to relax at Great Oak Landing with a just-for-fun husband & wife golf tournament, and another dinghy poker-run. Dinner will be at the Great Oak Landing restaurant for those who just want a memorable midweek-evening outing convenient to Kent Island.

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And finally, we'll cross the Chesapeake Bay on Thursday 26 July to arrive at Inner Harbor East Marina (for boats) and the Marriott Waterfront Hotel (for cars) in time to set-up for the SUMMER COUNCIL & RENDEZVOUS itself.

On Friday 27 July we'll enjoy the amazing Baltimore waterfront attractions and then have dinner at the very quaint James Joyce Irish Pub &Restaurant.

You'll definitely want to be a part of the FLAG-RAISING CEREMO-NY on the patio between the Marina and the Marriott Hotel Saturday morning 28 July featuring District Officers and Squadron Commanders in summer dress-whites.

SUMMER COUNCIL will take place in the air-conditioned Marriott ballroom immediately following the flag-raising. Then it's on to the legendary D/5 NAVIGATION CONTEST. There are opportunities for Captains, Crews, and Observers. No experience is necessary –but be advised that participants tend to become very competitive.

After the Nav Contest, back in the air-conditioned Marriott, there will be a very special first-of-its-kind event, "ASK THE DOCTOR," featuring a Q&A session and book-signing with Jim Eastman, author of "SENIORBOATER HANDBOOK AND GUIDE" and in-depth follow -up on the most vital health concerns for D/5 boaters with P/D/C Bernie Karpers, MD.

After "ASK THE DOCTOR," come to the D/5 Commander's Reception followed by our AWARDS BANQUET also at the Marriott.

Sunday 29 July is a day to unwind from all the excitement and head for home. Sari & I sincerely hope that you will take advantage of at least some if not all of what D/5 has to offer with this year's SUMMER CRUISE, RENDEZVOUS AND COUNCIL MEETING. What a great way to commemorate SENIORBOATERS SAFETY AWARENESS MONTH!

Please get in touch for more information or to sign-up to participate in these tremendous activities.

-- DXO Marty Lafferty

# Brit Bits = Hello from Edie in the UK

I found my dream boat in Gibralter, complete with a helicopter.



The rock of Gibralter is located at the southern most point of Spain but is a UK province..



Southern Spain has beautiful beaches and marinas.

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#### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

#### **JULY**

Wednesday 11 Executive Meeting—Kent Island Yacht Club—1900

Wednesday 11 Ladies Lunch Bunch—Bridges—noon

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Sunday 15 Family Picnic—see pg. 4

**AUG** 

Wednesday 01 Executive Meeting—Kent Island Yacht Club—1900

Wednesday 8 Ladies Lunch Bunch—Four Seasons

Noon—(See page 22 for details)

Saturday 11 Culinary Cruise—Chester River

Sunday 19 Annual Pig Roast

Friday 26 Tidelines submissions due for Sep/Oct 2012

#### **District 5 and National Calendar of Events**

27-28 July Summer Council & Rendezvous

**Baltimore Inner Harbor** 

More information and registration for all District 5 events are available on the District 5 website at http://www.uspsd5.org/

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