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USPS® D/5 SUMMER COUNCIL & RENDEZVOUS

Come one; come all to the D5 Summer Council & Rendezvous at Crisfield, MD 31 July - 3 August, 2014. Come by car, boat or RV. Park the RV at the Marina Parking Lot; water and electric only, or stay at the Janes Island State Park with transportation provided to and from the marina. Select your accommodations from B & B, condo or motel.

Somers Cove Marina slips are \$1.00 a foot with 10 cents per gallon off on gas or diesel for your boat. Friday morning's golf tournament at Great Hope Golf Course opens at 0730. \$45 per person fee includes transportation from the marina to the golf course and return; greens fee; cart; box lunch with beverage; golf towel and a sleeve of golf balls.

Take the Friday cruise to Tangier Island on the Chesapeake Bay Cruise Boat the "Steven Thomas." The cruise departs Crisfield at 1230 and arrives at Tangier Island at 1345. The boat departs Tangier Island at 1600 and arrives at Crisfield 1715: plenty of time to relax and explore the island.

We'll enjoy great Eastern Shore food with two buffets Friday and Saturday night and breakfast both Saturday and Sunday. There will be games for adults and kids, so bring the family, children and grandchildren.

A Navigation Contest is planned for Saturday afternoon. Flag Raising and Council Meeting take place on Saturday.

Check the D/5 website for more information (<u>www.uspsd5.org</u>.) or Miles River Sail & Power Squadron (<u>www.mrsps.org</u>).

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Communander's Message

Cdr Jim Colston, AP

After a winter that seemed like there was no end in sight, boating season is finally here. I hope that you are finding time to get out on the water and enjoying yourself. So far we have only been cleaning and have not had StarGazer away from the dock.

There are many summertime activities, beginning with VSC, rendezvous, and lazy days of just being on the water with nothing to do. But then I look at my calendar and suddenly the lazy days of summer have events on them. NOAA's Training session on the first weekend of May was a great way to learn Coop charting, depth and marina surveys to conduct as well as geodetics to find.

The summer Cruise and Summer Council is fast approaching and now is the time to plan to attend. We are going back to Crisfield, MD. Check the web site for more details. If you are looking for something to do, check out the D/5 website, www.uspsd5.org.

Has your squadron listed their summer rendezvous? Check the site for activities. Visit a neighboring squadron that has an activity that sounds like fun. While you are on the web site, if you haven't already marked all of the District activities that are listed, mark them on your calendar so that you will not miss out on the fun as well as the opportunity to meet new friends.

In September, we have an opportunity to see the workings of our national organization as the Governing Board comes to Crystal City, Virginia. Plan to spend a day of two. It is a great way to learn how National works. It's not too early to start planning for our Fall Conference which this year will be at Smith Mountain Lake; possibly during the fall color change, should the weather cooperate.

From the wishful deck of my boat, may you all have fair winds and following seas as you traverse the waterways.

Until next time, Jim





DISTRICT 5 SAIL REGATTA AND FALL FESTIVAL By P/D/C Bernie Karpers, N

The 2014 District 5 Sail Regatta and Fall Festival will take place 11 - 13 October. Dundalk Sail and Power Squadron will host the event which will take place at Baltimore Yacht Club located on Sue Creek just off of Middle River.

The Sail Regatta will take place on Sunday, 12 October in the nearby waters of Hawk Cove and the entrance to the Gunpowder River, just to the south of Poole's Island. The fishing derby will run on the same day with choice of trolling or live lining in the upper and middle bay areas. That day will conclude with the traditional awards dinner where tales of sailing sagas and excuses for not having fish will be presented.

At this time plans for those interested in land based activity on Sunday are in the tentative stage. Nearby are the Glen L. Martin Maryland Airport Air Museum, historic Ballstone Mansion and the Rocky Point Baltimore County golf course. Martin State Airport is the home of the 175 Tactical Air Wing of the Maryland Air National Guard. Baltimore Yacht Club is also close to Ballstone Mansion, a preserved farm dating to the 17th century. Both sites are within a five mile drive of our event. Golf is also available to those who like to play at the public course operated by Baltimore County. The golf course is located at Rocky Point Park just down the road from the Ballstone Mansion. As arrangements are made final, they will be posted on the web site. Included in this posting will be motel accommodations at nearby White Marsh Mall.

White Marsh Mall is about 15 minutes drive from BYC and has a variety of large chain stores and several moderately priced motels and hotels for those who wish to attend by driving to the event. The registration form for this event is in this issue and will function as a summary of this article.

Incentive Reminder

During the District 5 Spring Conference held in Ocean City, the Trustees of the Henry E. Sweet Trust announced \$5 incentive program to help encourage District 5 squadrons to increase their membership with new members while maintaining their current membership through member involvement activities. The trustees have increased this offer and are now offering a \$10 incentive to each District 5 squadron for each net member increase in the squadron from January 1, 2014 through December 15, 2014. You may have already earned an incentive. The trustees will give an interim report at the Fall Conference at Smith Mountain Lake. We plan on hosting a breakout session at the conference where we can share success stories and prepare for the final membership "push" before the December deadline. Any questions, comments, or ideas can be directed to any of the Henry E. Sweet Trustees list on page 8 of the current District Directory.

Henry E. Sweet Trustees, P/R/C Warren W. Stevens, SN P/R/C William J. McManimen, SN-CN P/D/C William D. Selden, V, AP



USPS D5 SUMMER RENDEZVOUS

Hosted by Miles River Sail & Power Squadron Somers Cove Marina Crisfield, Maryland 31 July, 1-3 August 2014



MEMBER

PLEASE NOTE DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION IS WEDNESDAY 16 JULY

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Pig Pickin' Barbeque & Hamburgers Potato Salad, Baked Beans, Corn Bread, broccoli Salad, Assorted Cakes & Pies	Per Child (12 years and under)	#	@ \$12.00	\$
Iced Tea, Lemonade, Bottled Water				
SATURDAY MORNING BREAKFAST	Per Adult	#	@ \$8.00	\$
Mini Pastries, Fresh Fruit, Juice, Coffee	Per Child (12 years and under)	#	@ \$8.00	\$
SATURDAY NIGHT AWARD BUFFET	Per Adult	#	@ \$27.00	\$
Eastern Shore Specialties	Per Child (12 years and under)	#	@ \$14.00	\$
Crab cakes, Fried Chicken, Spiral Ham, Tossed Salad, String Beans, Macaroni & Cheese, Corn Pudding, Assorted Cakes & Pies Iced Tea, Lemonade, Bottled Water				
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D/5 Summer Rendezvous Crisfield MD



GOLF TOURNAMENT

Friday, August 1, 2014



This is a FUN tournament which has been organized for players of all skill levels. Join fellow Squadron members for 18 Holes on a beautifully designed course. Great Hope GC is known for its fast greens which roll true to the golfer's line.

- Check in at Great Hope GC opens at 7:30 AM.
- Shotgun start for all golfers is at 9:00 AM.
- Scramble format with 3 drive minimum required for each player.
- Beat-The-Pro contest.
- Closest-To-The-Pin Prize.

Entry fee is \$45 per player. This fee includes transportation from the marina to the golf course and return; greens fee; cart; box lunch with beverage; golf towel and a sleeve of golf balls. What a great deal!!!

Please mark the number of golfers who will be playing on the D/5 Registration form and return it as soon as possible. If you are playing in a foursome, attach a note indicating the names of all players so that the appropriate pairing can be made. If you do not have a foursome, we will arrange for you to play with another group.

Questions? Please call Sue or Chuck Gardner, Tournament Hosts at (410) 820-4486.

D/5 2014 SPRING CONFERENCE Recap

By P/C Dick Radlinski, AP – Kent Narrows Sail & Power Squadron

The D/5 Spring Conference in Ocean City, MD 27-30 March at the Princess Royale Hotel and Conference Center was very special in many ways, and we are grateful to all who participated. Even more members can now enjoy this event vicariously with photos in this edition of Mark 5 and on the USPS[®] District 5 Facebook page.

At Spring Conference we began what will be a year-long celebration of District 5's achievement of 75 years milestone in 2014 with such activities as awarding a platinum-bordered D/5 Flag as a door-prize (P/R/C Norma Parrish won it); 75th anniversary themed hospitality suites (fourteen Squadrons participated this year); 75th Anniversary P/C Gifts (with considerable humor); and USPS[®] 100th & D/5 75th Anniversary cake centerpieces at the Banquet & Change of Watch – beautifully designed by Julie Tompkins, and re-used by the Mid-Potomac Squadron at the Sunday morning Incoming Commander's Reception.

USPS[®] Secretary V/C Peter Mitchelson, SN represented National throughout the weekend as we kicked-off this year-long D/5 birthday party which will feature more special events to commemorate our impressive history.

The Commander's cocktail reception also in honor of D/5's 75th, was held in the large, spacious atrium by the pool, with District Bridge Officers and National guests wearing the more fun Uniform B (with white slacks) to celebrate. Total attendance at Spring Conference was just over 300 this year, thanks in part to the extensive communications effort which included promoting each special session being held at the event in advance and to the excellent job done by Registration Chair Lt/C Kathy Burke.

The attractively-priced luncheons in the Exhibit Hall and Saturday evening's banquet expertly emceed by P/D/C Bill Selden, V were well attended, and the Princess Royale did an excellent job with the meal service, as well as the complimentary beverage services provided to all delegates in the Exhibit Hall during networking breaks.

The streamlined awards ceremony presentation process went very well with squadrons able to receive their awards, have photos taken, and provide individual officers and other squadron leaders with recognition along with their commanders. Please see a special section in this edition of Mark 5 for a full rundown of the awards presented during Spring Conference.

Among the many special sessions Member Growth Strategies, led by D/Lt Jay Goldsberry, was especially noteworthy with standing-room-only (SRO) attendance. Follow-up plans were made for a series of regional membership growth meetings throughout the District.

The Co-Op Charting main-stage presentation by NOAA's Lt/C Denise Gruccio was very well received as well, and the follow-on breakout led by D/Lt Bob Beltz was also SRO, auguring well for the 2014 Co-Op Charting Workshop in Norfolk, VA. A resurgence of interest in this important squadron activity should bring back attendance to the mid-eighties going forward.

Also on the main-stage, the "Ask the Doctor" series continued with our own resident MD, P/D/C Bernie Karpers educating delegates about heart and cardiac health issues for boaters.

A highlight of the Departmental Showcases, which effectively demonstrated the depth of leadership among D/5 Committees, was the surprise appearance, to great comedic effect, of P/D/C Chris Brown in full regalia as Barney Rubble riding his Barney-Mobile, with D/Lt/C Mike Lebeduik as Bamm-Bamm. The pair were protesting the failure of the Loyal Order of Water Buffaloes to award Wilma Flintstone with Life Membership for her 25 parrot marks. Incoming D/C Jim Colston had his hands full explaining that this was actually a USPS® District 5 Conference and we award Life Membership to those who earn 25 Merit Marks.

We owe a special tribute to Raffle Chair D/Lt Carole Tulip, who with the support of Lee Myers and other Committee Members, aggregated and disseminated an incredible array of terrific items. This year's Exhibitors, featuring nautically themed arts and crafts, enjoyed a very positive experience and are committed to return next year.

All in all the upbeat and well-paced committee meetings, showcases, demos, award ceremonies, spouse crafts and social time, religious services, raffle, and other activities that comprised the 2014 Spring Conference were a fitting con-



clusion to the 2013-14 D/5 Watch and our District Bridge led by Kent Narrows' own D/C Marty Lafferty and First Lady Sari.

It was a pleasure serving as Event Chair and working together with my fellow Kent Narrows squadron members. The teamwork and "can do" attitude were amazing and made my job an easy one.

District 5 Spring Conference Awards

National Distinctive Communicator Award for Publications

Absecon Island

Annapolis

Cambridge Colonial

Delaware River

Delhigh Dundalk

Kent Narrows

Main Line Miles River

Nansemond River Northern Virginia

Ocean City

Patapsco River

Patuxent River

Richmond Rockville

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Virginia Beach

Wilmington

District 5

National Distinctive Communicator Award for Websites

Absecon Island

Annapolis

Colonial

Delhigh

Kent Narrows

Main Line

Mid-Potomac

Miles River

Nansemond River

Northern Virginia

Ocean City

Patapsco River

Patuxent River

Richmond

Rockville

Susquehannock

Wilmington District 5

Social Media & Networking Achievement Award

Kent Narrows, 1st Place

Annapolis

Cambridge

Colonial

Delhigh

Dundalk

Main Line

Nansemond River

Northern Virginia

Patapsco River

Patuxent River

Richmond

Rockville

Virginia Beach

Wilmington

York

Social Media & Networking Improvement Award

Patapsco River, 1st Place

Annapolis

Cambridge

Delhigh

Dundalk

Kent Narrows

Main Line

Nansemond River

Northern Virginia

Patuxent River

Richmond

Rockville

Virginia Beach

Wilmington

York

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Membership Growth Award

Virginia Beach, 1st Place Net Gain of 35.5%
Cambridge, Net Gain of 14.7%
Delsea, Net Gain of 5.9%,
Dundalk, Net Gain of 1.9%
Kent Narrows, Net Gain Of 1%
Nanticoke River, USPS National Membership Committee 2013 Growth Award for 13% Growth And 92% Retention
Ocean City, Net Gain of 1.9%
Potomac River, Net Gain of 1.2%
Salisbury, Net Gain of 7%
Wilmington, USPS National Membership Committee
2013 Growth Award for 4% Growth and 94% Retention

USPS® Educational Fund Certificate of Merit

Colonial
Delsea
Kingsway
Miles River
Ocean City
Patuxent River
Virginia Beach

Doing It Right Award

Patuxent River

Vessel Safety Checks, Squadron

Smith Mountain Lake, 1st Place 604 VSC (5th Place Nationally)
Annapolis, 232 VSC
Mid-Potomac, 172 VSC
Nansemond River, 250 VSC
Ocean City, 241 VSC
Patuxent River, 149 VSC

Vessel Safety Checks, Individual

Art Cournoyer, S, Smith Mountain Lake, 1st Place 175 VSC (6th year in Century Club)
Dave Brown, Smith Mountain Lake, 2nd Place 158 VSC (5th year in Century Club)
John Paulus, Ocean City, 3rd Place 127 VCS (Membership in Century Club)
P/C Lilly Stone, JN, Nansemond River, 4th Place 103 VSC (Membership In The Century Club)

USPS[®] **Governing Board, Member Emeritus** D/Lt Rolf Stuenes, JN

Distinguished Civic Service Award Virginia Beach, 1st Place District 5

Life Member Awards

P/C Cecil Chapman, SN, Nansemond River P/C Katherine Chilton, P, Smith Mt. Lake Patricia Dillon, Potomac River P/C Mollie Fimmano, P, Delaware River P/C Robert Heyser, SN, Main Line P/C George Kelchner, SN, Delhigh Lt Manette Lazear, AP, Northern Virginia Lt Cleveland Leggett, S, Potomac River D/Lt Alex Reilley, AP, Delaware River P/C Jeffrey Russell, AP, Wilmington P/Lt/C George Seifert, SN, Cambridge

Snyder Award

1st Place - The Bullhorn
Richmond Power Squadron
2nd Place - Anchor Watch
Annapolis Power Squadron
3rd Place - Tide Lines
Kent Narrows Power Squadron

Educational Proficiency Awards

P/Lt/C Streett Broadbent, AP, Dundalk P/D/C Bernie Karpers, N, Dundalk Lt/C Douglas Riley, AP, Dundalk Cdr Howard Bernstein, AP, Kent Narrows 1st/Lt Joe Burke, AP, Kent Narrows D/C Marty Lafferty, AP, Kent Narrows Cynthia Gorge, AP, Main Line Charlee Rossi, AP, Main Line Edward West, AP, Main Line David Wetten, AP, Main Line Lt/C Brian Nordmann, AP, Rockville Patricia Peter, AP, Rockville P/C Frances Zahn, AP, Virginia Beach

Educational Achievement Awards

Lt Robert Wallace, SN



Spring Conference - Thursday



Spring Conference - Friday



Spring Conference - Hospitality Night



Spring Conference - Saturday Mtg.

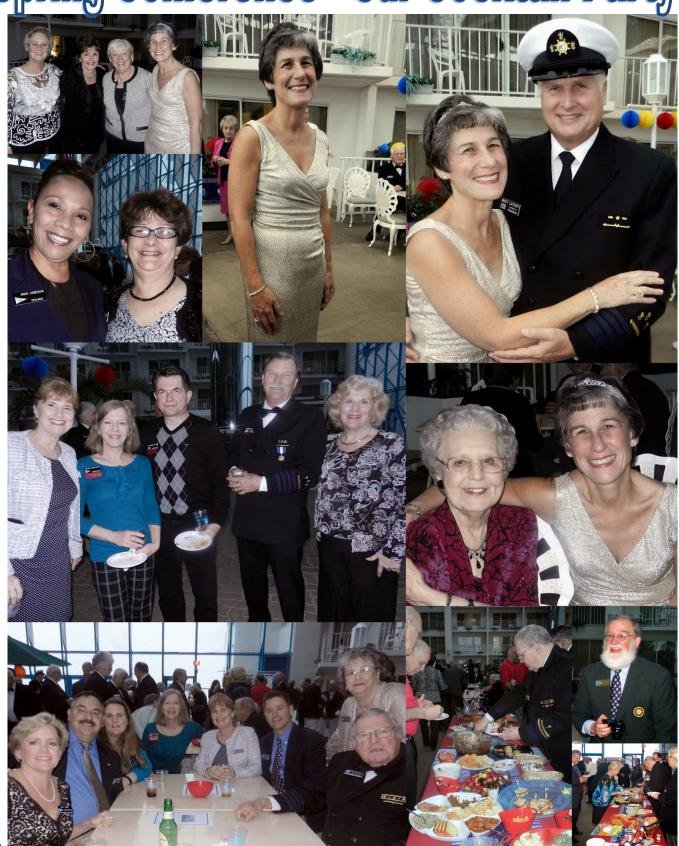




Spring Conference - Squadron Awards



Spring Conference - Cdr Cocktail Party



Spring Conference - Change of Watch



Spring Conference - Change of Watch



Spring Conference - New Cdr Reception



2014 NOAA WORKSHOP

The NOAA Workshop was fantastic. There were new instructors, a great program, and excellent dinner at Bowmans; you may have missed the best one ever. Please mark it on your calendar for next year. I can already hear ripples of Co-op charting projects and surveys being done. From ATON patrols to Depth Surveys, Small Craft facilities, chart updating, and Coast Pilot. Of course I am still waiting for the paper work to get into CCWEB; but one step at a time. If you need help with any report or CCWEB let me know. I have had several phone calls already. We have several experts around D/5 who have done this, and are willing to help.

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View or download <u>Distances between United States</u> <u>Ports</u>, measured along navigable tracklines. Check out the <u>Arctic Nautical Charting Plan</u>.

D/Lt Robert Beltz, JN



2014 NOAA WORKSHOP



2014 Fall Educational Conference 24 - 26 October Conference in the Blue Ridge

What a combination: USPS® learning opportunities, achievement recognition, sharing experiences among the district squadrons and autumn days on a mountain lake in southwest Virginia. All of this is happening at the Fall Educational Conference at Smith Mountain Lake. While the core of the conference will carry on the business of USPS®, you can expect additional "cultural enlightenment." We'll enjoy some of the area's deep musical heritage at evening social events, and while in the heart of non-taxed distilled spirits (moonshine) we'll also share in the experience of an ATF agent of the period. More is being added so stay tuned.





D/Lt/C Randy Stow, AP

The venue is the W.E. Skelton 4H Educational Conference Center. Don't let the "4H" throw you. This is not a 4H camp, but rather an educational conference center that also has an excellent 4H program. The meeting facilities will more than meet our needs and the lodging is comfortable. The Smith Mountain Lake Sail & Power Squadron is hosting the event and will be handling both the lodging and conference registrations. Final adjustments are being made and registration information will be available on the District 5 web site in mid-July. So get the dates on your calendar and watch for more information to come. We look forward to seeing you in October.



Go to the USPS web page, www.usps.org for more information.

Educational Department Summer 2014 Navigating into Summer

National Safe Boating Week featured the Delaware River Educational Cruise. Attendees were encouraged to bring pencil, paper, watch, calculator, hand-bearing compass and hand-held GPS (these days a GPS-equipped smartphone, a few apps and some very fast thumbs would amount to the same). Apparently we were in for some navigating!

On boarding the dinner cruise at the Ben Franklin Bridge,



we were handlist of ed a study questions. which through the course of the evening Our cruise narrators Jim Heckman and

McManimen managed to cover in exhaustive detail from datums to dew points; from rules of the road to rhumb lines. They doubled the angle off the bow of the bearing to a fixed object. It happens all the time even if Jim and Bill aren't there to point it out. The distance traveled in doubling the angle is equal to the distance off the object at the end of the travel. Thanks to the isosceles triangle and to the skipper of the M/V Ben Franklin for steering a straight course. During the evening the same navigation aids recognized as red and green shapes when we started downriver, became red and green lights with distinct flashing patterns on the way back up. A considerable flood current as we set out went slack and then turned into an even stronger ebb current as we returned. Six area squadrons collaborate to put the Educational Cruise together every May, and they invite students from their boating classes to review what they have learned and to widen their perspectives on subjects of interest to boaters. Everyone had fun and learned!

Next evening I parked the car in Norfolk, Virginia to attend a joint presentation and "Listening Session" on the "Future of e-Navigation". Joint presenters were the US Coast Guard, Army Corps of Engineers, and NOAA Office of Coast Survey. A presenter from each laid out projects underway - here are some highlights. The Coast Guard is beginning to work with 'synthetic' and 'virtual' aids to navigation (both are 'e-ATONs') that they establish and remove electronically on AIS displays: they might be used for temporary restricted areas such as for dredging or for special events, or in case of a physical ATON being off station. The Army Corps of Engineers has an online portal to show depth survey maps and reports, available to the public. NOAA Office of Coast Survey expressed appreciation for the contribution of USPS in the Co-op Charting program - this was the only such recognition of anyone in the two hour session, so they did us proud. NOAA now offers booklet charts online, which divides large paper charts into pages that can be printed at home. Also, NOAA now makes electronic chart display available with a web application called NOAA ENC Online, so you no longer need special software to display their charts. Of course chart data is updated weekly to include all of the latest Notice to Mariners corrections.

That was a busy week. But it sets the stage for navigation during the boating season now upon us. At Summer Council in Crisfield coming up on the first weekend in August, we invite you to join us for the District 5 Navigation Contest. Each contestant runs a sequence of specified courses for specified times which leave the vessel at a significant remove from the starting point; then the navigator sets up a return course and speed to the starting line: the goal is to arrive back at the theoretical return time for all legs run at constant speed without wind or current. The contest is a great opportunity to put to practice many skills learned in our Piloting and Advanced Piloting courses, and to reinforce that learning with a collaborative, real world exercise. It's also immense fun! This year we will make it more approachable for those who haven't tried it before. Contestant vessels will be issued orders at the captain's meeting the evening before the contest, for immediate review and analysis. background and techniques for the contest will be covered in a seminar at the captain's meeting. Updated contest rules allow all forms of electronic navigation tools to be employed during all legs up to the second to last leg; only compasses and tachometers are permitted on the last two legs. Members from other squadrons and nonmembers are invited to participate on contestant teams, with the exception that Observers must be USPS members.

Come have fun with us at the contest in Crisfield! Captains, please register your boat in the Summer Council sign-up. And for anyone interested, we are running a practice contest at Pleasure Cove Marina on Bodkin Creek on the weekend of July 11-13. The event is also featured on the D5 website, with signup sheet and summary of rules to be followed this year.

Happy navigating!

Walter K. Neese D5 Educational Officer

USPS Youth Activities Team 17th Boarman National USPS Youth Annual Poster Contest

As a grandparent, I look forward to the end of the school year and spending more time with my granddaughter, Kelsey. Through the years, we always enjoyed doing art projects together (she "doing" and me watching, commenting and, of course, admiring).

I'm sure many of you are happily anticipating visits to or from your grandchildren this summer. Those visits can be days filled with non-stop activities that can be hectic and tiring. A nice quiet-time or rainy-day activity might be centered on drawing or painting a poster for the 17th Boarman National USPS Youth Annual Poster Contest.

The contest's theme this year is "The W's of Wear It;" the \underline{w} ho, \underline{w} hen, \underline{w} here and \underline{w} hy of wearing a PFD – or as Kelsey called it, her "boat coat."

Rules and regulations are simple and straightforward and can be found at:
www.usps.org/national/membership/youth/pictures/The Youth Poster Contest Awards.pdf

Artistic ability is not a factor in the contest; how well the poster depicts the contest's theme is of major importance. The contest is divided into three age groups, 6-8, 9-11, and 12-14.

Check with your squadron for their entry deadline date. Squadron winners must be submitted to the D/5 Youth Poster Committee by 30 September. D/5 judging will be held at Fall Conference and National judging will be at the Annual Meeting in January, 2015.

We appreciate your support and involvement and look forward to a significant increase in participation this year.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the contest, please feel free to contact me at 610-366-0475 or wind6769@aol.com.

Have a wonderful, fun summer and enjoy your grandchildren.

D/Lt Bea Norris, Chair D/5 Youth Poster Contest







6 to 8 Years--9 to 11 Years--12 to 14 Years

"W's of Wear It!"
WHO, WHEN, WHERE, or WHY

Artists should answer one of the "W's of Wear It":

who wears it?,

when do you wear it?,

where do you wear it?

or

For details check out: http://www.usps.org/membership/memcom/awards index.html





SUMMER CRUISE 2014 "JIMMIE'S JOURNEY"

ATTENTION DISTRICT 5 BOATERS: The list of the marinas has been completed and reservations have been made at the following marinas for the summer cruise for District 5 to Crisfield. Please call the marinas or send your information to me, and I will furnish them with all your information. I would appreciate it if anyone who is attending all or any part of the cruise to send me all the information about your vessel, a picture, anyone who will be accompanying you on your vessel and any other information you might want included in the Cruise booklet everyone will receive. Any questions please email me at rb3513@comcast.net

SATURDAY	JULY 26TH	TILGHMAN ON THE CHESAPEAKE

SUNDAY JULY 27TH TILGHMAN ON THE CHESAPEAKE

410.866.2389

28 NM 62NM

MONDAY JULY 28TH CALVERT MARINA—SOLOMONS \$1.00 per foot

410.326.4251

30 NM 92NM

TUESDAY JULY 29TH POINT LOOKOUT MARINA (POTOMAC RIVER) \$1.50 per foot

301.872.5000

WEDNESDAY JULY 30TH POINT LOOKOUT MARINA (POTOMAC RIVER)

27 NM 119NM

THURSDAY JULY 31ST SOMERS COVE MARINA (CRISFIELD) \$1.50 per foot

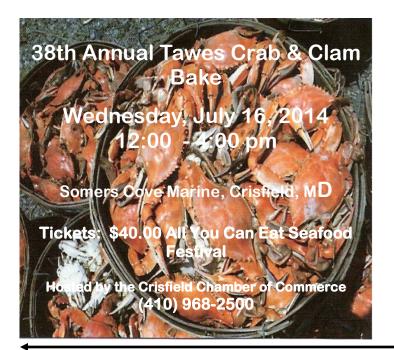
410.968.0925

FRIDAY AUGUST 1ST SOMERS COVE MARINA (CRISFIELD)

SATURDAY AUGUST 2ND SOMERS COVE MARINA (CRISFIELD)

P/D/C Ralph Bernard, AP





DELAWARE RIVER CRUISE

What a great night on the Delaware River aboard the Ben Franklin Yacht! After a delicious dinner the 50 members and friends from Delhigh, Main Line, Kent Island and Delaware River squadrons went to the top deck for the education part.

P/D/C Bill McManimen, JN and P/D/Lt/C Jim Heckman, JN had everyone prepared (via email) and they put to use all those rules and instructions that were learned in basic boating through JN courses.

BVSPS 2014 Chesapeake Bay Cruise



We had a special event this year when the Boulder Valley Sail and Power Squadron in Colorado (District 30) decided to have a summer cruise in the Chesapeake Bay. The cruise started May 24th with the first boat visiting Baltimore, but the rest of the boats didn't arrive until a few days later, when they met at the Wye River. On May 28th the boats were in St. Michaels, where they got to restock their supplies and visit the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum, eat at the Crab Claw Restaurant, and meet Commander Don Butte, P of Miles River. Next they visited Dunn Cove and enjoyed a beautiful sunset after a day of rainy weather and rough seas. On May 30th, they arrived in Cambridge and were greeted on the Choptank River by members of the Cambridge Sail and Power Squadron to lead them into the marina. The Squadron hosted a Potluck dinner in the marina where many sea stories were shared. While in Cambridge, they were able to visit UMCES Horn Point and learn about sturgeon and oyster restoration programs. Then some of

the members enjoyed a sail on the skipjack Nathan of Dorchester, where they saw mature oysters in the wild. Coincidentally, the Pride of Baltimore II was visiting Cambridge that weekend and was offering deck tours and public sails. Since Cambridge was the mid-point of their cruise, they had the full contingent of 17 BVSPS members in attendance. When they left Cambridge, they restocked and prepared for the second half of their cruise. The first stop was Oxford and a stay in Plaindealing Creek. There was a great raft-up dinner, and they even enjoyed some fireworks that a waterfront house was firing off. The following day, they visited Broad Creek and overnighted in San Domingo Creek. As the week drew to a close, they visited Harrington Harbor North and Annapolis, and the cruise ended on June 6th.

As with any time outdoors, the weather didn't always cooperate, but that didn't hamper the spirits of the BVSPS members. The members enjoyed their

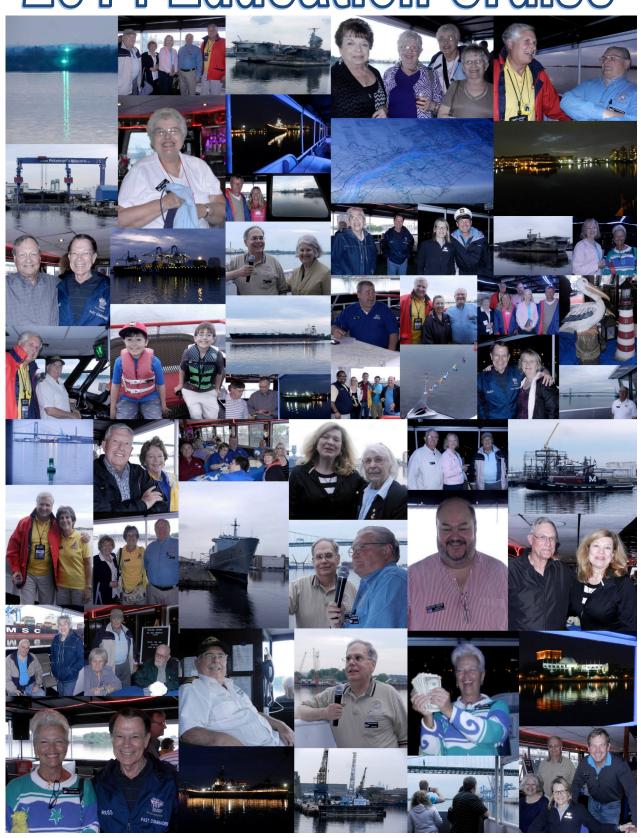


time on the Chesapeake, and many of them will be returning to visit this area via car. Thank you to P/D/C Bernie Karpers, N as well as Cdr. Ron Schweisow, JN and SEO David Hughes, AP and Marilyn Hughes of BVSPS for helping to plan the cruise.

John O'Reilly



2014 Education Cruise



UIPCOMING EVENTS

19 July	Colonial Biggest	
	Little Water Festival	Yorktown, VA
26-July-1 Aug	District Cruise	Chesapeake
1-3 August	Summer Council	Crisfield, MD
7-14 Sept	USPS [®] Governing	
	Board Meeting	Crystal City, VA
23 Sept	Trawler Festival	Baltimore, MD
11-13 October	Sail Regatta/Fishing Tourn.	Baltimore Yacht Club
9-13 Sept	United States Boat Show	Annapolis, MD
16-19 October	United States Boat Show	Annapolis, MD
24-26 October	Fall Conference	Smith Mountain Lake
14 November	Delhigh Land Navigation	
	Contest	Bethlehem, PA
18-25 Jan 2015	USPS® Annual Meeting	Jacksonville, FL



2014-2015 D/5 Bridge: L-R V/C Peter Mitchelson, SN, D/C Jim Colson, AP, D/Lt/C Fuzzy Jones, P, D/Lt/C Walter Neese, SN, D/Lt/C Randy Stow, AP, D/Lt/C Ken Perigo, SN, D/Lt/C Mike Lebediuk, JN, D/1st/Lt Joe Gibson, AP, D/1st/Lt C.M. Kohlenberg, S, D/1st/Lt Beth Thompson, JN D/1st/Lt Jim Redding, P

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